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Births.

BEER.—January 6, at Rosedale Barry, the wife of C. W. Beer, of a son.

Marriages.

OLSON—MASTERS.—December 11, 1901, at St. Andrew's Cathedral, by Canon Read, Vivian Hood Percy, fourth son of the late J. P. Olson, to Alice Eunice, youngest daughter of George Masters.

Silver Weddings.

CRICK—LLOYD-HUNT.—January 8, 1877, by the Rev. William Bradley, Congregational minister, Elisabeth-street, Sydney, William Crick to Emily Adelaide Lloyd-Hunt, both of England.

JENWOOD—HARRIS.—January 9, 1877, at Broadclyst Church, Devon, England, by the late Rev. Prebendary Acland, Charles John, second son of the late John Kenwood, of The Olives, Wallhurst, and st. Leonards-on-Sea, Sussex, to Elisabeth, youngest daughter of the late Francis Harris, of Woodbury-Salterton, Devon, England.

Deaths.

AXAM.—January 5, 1902, Estella Florence, third daughter of George and Elisabeth Louisa Axam, of Evans-street, Waverley, aged 20 years.

DOVE.—January 2, at his residence, Glenduart, Mudgee, Donald Dove, late of Helensburgh, Scotland, aged 87 years.

FERRIS.—January 8, Gertrude Louisa, youngest beloved daughter of T. B. and Laura Ferris, of North Sydney.

KINGSFORD.—January 2, at his residence, Invicta, Carne, North Queensland, Richard Ash Kingsford, in his 80th year.

MCURE.—January 7, at the Coast Hospital, Michael M'Cure, aged 34 years. R.I.P.

MOSSOP.—January 8, at North Shore Hospital, Thomas Douglas Mossop, aged 40 years.

REES.—January 6, at Rosedale Barry, the wife of C. W. Rees.

TWENTYMAN.—At the residence of her parents, Thessaly, Arcadia-road, Glebe Point, Una Sin-air, the beloved daughter of E. W. G. and May Twentyman, aged 2 years and 3 months.

In Memoriam.

PELLETIER.—In sad but loving memory of my dear husband, Joseph Pelletier, who departed this life January 9th, 1901, age 62 years, son of the late Joseph Pelletier, of Mauritius. Sweet Jesus have mercy. Mauritius papers please copy.

'Tis just one year ago to-day
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Although he has gone his memory is sweet, and I hope in heaven to meet, where all sin and sorrow cease. Inserted by his lonely wife, Alice Pelletier.

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*FRIEDRICH DER G.	10,568	M. Eichel	Jan. 18	Jan. 25
*O. KURFURST	13,182	Reimkasten	Feb. 8	Feb. 15
*BREMEN	11,600	R. Nierich	Mar. 1	Mar. 8
*BARBAROSSA	10,769	F. Mentz	Mar. 22	Mar. 29
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Steamer.	Tons.	Commander.	Sydney, noon.
			1902.
ROME	5545	E. Street	... Jan. 11
HIMALAYA	6898	W. L. Brown, R.N.R.	... Jan. 25
CHINA	7912	T. S. Angus	... Feb. 8
†ARCADIA	6933	A. C. Leggatt	... Feb. 19
†INDIA	7911	W. D. G. Worcester, R.N.R.	Mar. 5
†ORANA	6566	C. Gadd	... Mar. 19
†BRITANNIA	6525	F. H. Seymour	... April 2
†AUSTRALIA	6904	F. J. Cole	... April 16
ROME	5545	E. Street	... May 7
HIMALAYA	6898	W. L. Brown, R.N.R.	May 17

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		1902.	1902.	1902.
Tonkin	Durrande	Jan. 20	Jan. 23	Jan. 25
Australien	Veron	Feb. 17	Feb. 20	Feb. 22
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ORMUZ	6167	F. S. Symons	Jan. 18	Jan. 21
ORURA	5657	W. H. Burgess	Feb. 1	Feb. 4
†AUSTRAL	3924	C. Nicholson	Feb. 12	Feb. 15
*OPHIR	9010	F. W. Keesbaw	Feb. 26	Mar. 4
*OMRAH	9261	J. F. Ruthven	Mar. 12	Mar. 18
*ORTONA	7945	E. Livingston	Mar. 26	April 1
†ORIZABA	6297	R. Archer	April 9	April 15
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S.S. MOKOIA, SATURDAY, January 25, at 1 p.m.

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WARRNAMBOOL	
ADELAIDE	
WALLAROO	Gabo, Tuesday, Jan. 21, 5 p.m.
PORT PIRIE	
PORT AUGUSTA	
ALBANY	
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BRISBANE	
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BUNDABERG	Burwah, Tuesday, Jan. 14, 5 p.m.
ROCKHAMPTON	Leura, Saturday, Jan. 18, 12 noon.
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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate and Effects of DAVID PETER, late of Kalgoorlie (formerly of Bourke, N.S.W.), in the State of Western Australia, Miner, deceased.—Pursuant to the Wills Probate and Administration Act, 1898, NOTICE is hereby given that all Creditors and other persons having any claims or demands against or upon the Estate of the above-named deceased, who died at Kalgoorlie aforesaid on 1st January, 1901, are hereby required to send in full particulars of their claims and demands upon the said Estate to THE PERPETUAL TRUSTEE COMPANY, Limited, 2 Spring-street, Sydney, the Administrators of the said Estate, to whom Letters of Administration were granted by the Supreme Court of New South Wales, Equity Side, on 13th December, 1901, on or before the eleventh day of February next, in default whereof the said Perpetual Trustee Company, Limited, after the said date proceed to distribute the assets of the Estate and distribute the assets among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims and demands of which they shall then have notice, and the said Company will not be liable for the assets or any part thereof so distributed to any person of whose claim they shall not have had notice at the time of such distribution. Dated this seventeenth day of January, 1902. For Perpetual Trustee Company, Limited, A. MACKENZIE, Manager. Mr. F. A. DAVENPORT, Proctor.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of AUGUSTINE RIGETTI, late of Hunter's Hill, near Sydney, in the State of New South Wales, Labourer, deceased.—Notice is hereby given that after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration with the Will annexed of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased, will be granted to JESSIE HAMILTON RIGETTI, the Widow of the said deceased; and all notices may be served at the offices of the undersigned. DIBBS and PARKER, Proctors for the Applicant, 97 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of GEORGE WESTLEY, late of Dungog, in the State of New South Wales, Tanner, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to HUBERT FREDERICK WESTLEY, of Dungog, in the State of New South Wales, Storekeeper's Assistant, a Son of the said deceased; and all notices may be served at the offices of the undersigned. DIBBS and PARKER, Proctors for Applicant, 97 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of PATRICK FARRELLY, late of No. 61 O'Connell-street, Chippendale, Sydney, in the State of New South Wales, Groom, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to MARY FARRELLY, the widow of the said deceased; and all notices may be served at the undermentioned address; and application will also be made to dispense with Bond. T. M. SLATTERY, Proctor for the Applicant, Hoffnung's-chambers, 103 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of JOSEPH HENRY BABSDEN, late of Woollahra, in the State of New South Wales, Commercial Traveller, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to JOSEPH HENRY STANTON and WILLIAM AUGUSTUS HUTCHINSON, the Executors named in the said Will; and all notices may be served at the offices of MARK MITCHELL and COHEN, Solicitors for the Executors, Citizens'-chambers, Moore-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of HENRY BRESSINGTON, late of Newtown, in the State of New South Wales, Gentleman, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to CHARLES MARSHALL and ARTHUR BRADLEY, Proctor for the said Executor, 76 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of ROBERT DOUGLAS DUFF, late of Hastings-street, Granville, in the State of New South Wales, Railway Employee, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to ALICE MARY ANNE DUFF, the Widow of the said deceased; and all notices may be served at the residence of the said Granville.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of ELLEN HIGGS, late of Dora-street, Marrickville, in the colony of New South Wales, Spinster, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to JOHN HIGGS, a Brother of the said deceased, and all notices may be served at Park-road, Hurstville.
JOHN HIGGS.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of CLEB HARDY, late of Homebush, near Sydney, in the State of New South Wales, Licensed Victualler, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the date hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to GRACE HARDY, the Executrix named in the said Will; and all notices may be served at the offices of the undersigned. THEODORE HENRY MALORAN, Proctor, 20 Castlereagh-street, Sydney.

Legal Notices.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of CLARA TURNER, late of Wambeela, in the State of New South Wales, Widow, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to EDWARD THOMPSON, of Berrigan, Farmer, and JOHN QUILLIAM, of Berrigan, Farmer, the Executors named in the said Will; and all notices may be served at the office of VILLENEUVE-SMITH and DAWES, 28 Castlereagh-street, Sydney. E. J. LAMAN, Proctor, Deniliquin. By his Agents, VILLENEUVE-SMITH and DAWES, 28 Castlereagh-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of RONALD GIBSON, late of Inverallehy, near Goulburn, in the State of New South Wales, Gentleman, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to ANDREW FAITHFULL GIBSON, of Burrumgurrodong, near Goulburn, Grazier, the father of the said deceased; and all notices may be served at, and all claims against the Estate of the abovenamed deceased are requested to be sent to, the office of the undersigned. ICKEVON and FAITHFULL, Proctors for the Applicant, 88 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of MARY ELIZABETH NICHOLL, late of 103 Goulburn-street, in the State of New South Wales, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to WILLIAM JOHN PHILLIP NICHOLLS, the Husband of the said deceased; and all notices may be served on applicant at 153 Goulburn-street, Sydney.

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ARTISTS and PAINTERS.—If you want best quality Goods for Lowest Cost buy from
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TENDERS for Valuing the whole of the Rateable Property of this Borough by two competent Persons will be received up to 3 o'clock p.m. on THURSDAY, 16th January, 1902.
Specifications can be seen and all information obtained upon application to the undersigned.
R. W. GRIERSON,
Council Clerk.
Council-chambers, Redfern,
13th December, 1901.

BRICK, Brick Rubble.—For Cheapest and Best apply S. Spare, Newtown Brickworks. Tel., 130 N.

CONTRACTORS wishing to TENDER for Additions to Standard Brewery for Messrs. J. T. and J. Tooney, Ltd., are invited to apply to
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BRICK for about 60,000 Bricks, Kilmarnock Cottage situation, from Linton, 81 Victoria-st., Lewisham.

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TENDERS ARE INVITED FOR GROCERY STOCK,
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302 VICTORIA-STREET, DARLINGHURST,
AMOUNTING TO £95 10s,
as per Stock-sheets, which can be inspected on the Premises; or at
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The usual 10 per cent. deposit must accompany tender. The highest or lowest tender not necessarily accepted. TENDERS CLOSE TO-MORROW, Friday, at noon.
B. SAMUELS,
192 William-street.

TENDERS wanted for a Brass Band of ten performers, to play at Mort's Dock Employees' Picnic on Saturday, Feb. 22nd.
W. KNIGHT, Secretary.
49 Curtis-road, Balmain.

TENDERS for Bathroom, Drainage, &c., at Henrietta-street, Waverley. Apply
H. JOSELAND, Architect,
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TENDERS required for Erection and Material of Brick Cottage, Drummoyne. Plans and specifications, lowest or any tender necessarily accepted.
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TENDERS are invited until 10 a.m. Monday, 13th inst., for Brick Bucksmith Shop, Cowper-street, Waverley.
R. L. RAMSAY, Architect,
Ramsay's-chambers, 58 Pitt-street, Sydney.

TO CONTRACTORS.—TENDERS wanted for Alterations and Additions to Cottage in Wellbank-street, Petersham. Tenders close THIS DAY. Apply at No. 55 Westbourne-street, near Charles-street.

TENDERS wanted for Dressed Stone, labour and material or labour only. Apply 41 Pitt-st., Redfern.

TENDERS wanted Rubble Foundation. Randwick-avenue, Kensington.

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TENDERS wanted, Clearing and Grubbing Land, Eltham Estate, Darling Pt.-rd. Apply on land, Friday.

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MATINEES
of
ALICE IN WONDERLAND
will be given at 2 o'clock
THIS AND EVERY AFTERNOON.
EVERYTHING SAME AS AT NIGHT.
Children Half-price to all parts.

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Sole Lessee and Manager,
Mr. J. C. WILLIAMSON.
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To-day TWO PERFORANCES, To-day
EVENING, at 7.45. AFTERNOON, at 2.
ALICE IN WONDERLAND,
ENORMOUS SUCCESS
of
MR. WILLIAMSON'S 20th XMAS PANTOMIME,
ALICE IN WONDERLAND,
a
MOST DELIGHTFUL ENTERTAINMENT
for Young and Old.
QUAINT, BURLESQUE, NOVEL.
IMPORTANT NOTICE.
Numerous alterations have been made in the performances of Alice in Wonderland. Various scenes condensed and improved, new songs added, funny business introduced, and
A MERRY HARLEQUINADE,
received with screams of laughter and delight caused by the antics of childhood's treasured friends,
CLOWN, PANTALOON, HARLEQUIN, and COLUMBINE
A perfect furore created by
KELLY AND ASHBY,
THE BOUNDING BILLIARDISTS,
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RECEIVED WITH UPROARIOUS APPLAUSE.
ALICE IN WONDERLAND
is now adm tted on all sides to be the
BEST PANTOMIME FOR CHILDREN
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THE GREAT SPECIALTY FEATURES
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THE GRAND MARCH OF CARDS.
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Sensational Success of the
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KELLY AND ASHBY,
in their novel side-splitting entertainment
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GRAND MARCH OF CARDS,
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THE BOX PLAN at Fley and Co.'s, George-street.
Prices, 3s, 2s, and One Shilling. Early doors 1s extra. Day Tickets at Gunther's Cigar Divan

HER MAJESTY'S THEATRE.
THE SECOND MATINEE
of the season will take place
WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON NEXT,
JAN. 15th, at 2 o'clock.
Box Plan now open.
Children Half-price to all parts.

HER MAJESTY'S THEATRE.
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EVERY EVENING at 8. WED. AFTERNOON at 2.
BRIEF FAREWELL SEASON,
PRIOR TO THEIR RETURN TO ITALY,
of the Artists comprising Mr. Williamson's
GRAND ITALIAN OPERA COMPANY,
the largest, most complete, and best Grand Opera Organisation known in the musical history of the Australian stage.
The Season is limited to
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THIS THURSDAY, JAN. 9,
for
THE LAST TIME,
Gounod's ever-popular Opera,
FAUST
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with the great cast including
SAPIO, BASSICI, DANI, TRAVAGLINI, CATTADORI.
A perfect furore created by

FRIDAY, Jan. 10 (Last time)	IL TROVATORE.
SATURDAY, Jan. 11	FEDORA (Announcement below).
MONDAY, Jan. 13	FEDORA.
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BOX PLAN at Nicholson and Co.'s.
DRESS CIRCLE and RESERVED STALLS, 8s.
SUBSCRIBERS' TICKETS, 5s. IN BOOKS OF 40.

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SATURDAY NEXT, JAN. 11,
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THE FIRST TIME IN SYDNEY
Giordano's Famous Work adapted from Sardou's great play of the same name,
FEDORA,
the most brilliant example of the Modern Italian School.
FEDORA
will be presented with an
EXCEPTIONALLY MAGNIFICENT CAST,
and staged with the utmost care and attention.
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ALSO REQUIRED ONE HUNDRED FEMALE AUXILIARIES of good height and figure. Apply at stage door, Market-street, at 2 p.m. to-morrow, Friday. Applications invited from Lady and Gentleman Stage Students and others desiring to become probationers.
H. H. VINCENT.

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Under the Direction of Mr. Charles Holloway.
Stage Manager, Mr. C. R. Stanford.
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CONTINUED UNABATED SUCCESS
OF THE GREATEST OF ALL SUCCESSES,
FOR THE SAKE OF A WOMAN
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PRESS AND PUBLIC UNANIMOUS.
Not hundreds but thousands turned away nightly, unable to gain admission to witness
FOR THE SAKE OF A WOMAN.
TO-NIGHT. THURSDAY, at 7.30. TO-NIGHT.
Mr. CHARLES HOLLOWAY'S
COTERIE OF POPULAR PLAYERS
in the Exciting and Mirth-provoking Drama
FOR THE SAKE OF A WOMAN
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written by J. James Hewison, from whom Mr. Holloway purchased the Sole Australasian Rights.
POPULAR PRICES OF ADMISSION.—DRESS CIRCLE AND RESERVED STALLS, 3s; STALLS, TWO SHILLINGS; FAMILY CIRCLE AND GALLERY, ONE SHILLING. EARLY DOORS, 7 TO 7.30, SIXPENCE EXTRA. ORDINARY DOORS OPEN 7.30.
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MR. HARRY LISTON, Elocutionist, will Resume Tuition, Monday, 13th, Pratt's Studios, 3 Hunter-st.

BRIGHTON RACING CLUB.
PONY AND GALLOWAY MEETING.
THIS DAY, Thursday, Jan 9th
THIS DAY. PRIZE MONEY, £100. THIS DAY.
First Race at 2.40 p.m.
Ordinary Trains at 12.10, 1.10, 2.10, 2.35 p.m.; Special Train at 1.55 p.m.
Admission to Paddock, 2s; Ladies, 2s 6d. Admission to Flat, 2s.
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Last Night But One of Our Comic Opera First Part,
THE CARNIVAL
AGAIN LAST NIGHT
this popular and favourite resort of the amusement lovers of Sydney and suburbs was
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INGLIS and SON'S HORSE BAZAAR.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 10.30 a.m. sharp,
Vans, Spring-carts, Horses and Harness, Draught Horses, Tipdrays, Horses and Harness.
And at 11.30 a.m.,
Horses and Vehicles of every description.
Specially advertised. Tel., 1321.

BAY MARE AND PONY, SULKY LOT.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. W. J. SANDS to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
Bay Mare, thickly set, very active and showy in saddle and harness; also small Pony Gelding, fast trotter, with Sulky and Harness, a good lot.

TWO TURNOUTS AND TROLLY.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. A. TIPPETT to sell by auction, at their Bazaar THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
Heavy Draught Gelding, any trial; Tipcart and Harness, a Spring-cart Turnout and Trolly, all for sale without reserve.

STYLISH SULKY TURNOUT.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. H. WILLIAMS to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
Black Pony, 14.2, thoroughly quiet in saddle and harness, with Sulky and Harness, in good order; makes a neat turnout.

NEAT B.S. SULKY LOT.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
Creamy Pony Gelding, silver mane and tail, quiet to ride and drive, used by a lady, superior B.S. Sulky, B.M. Harness, equal to new.

SUPERIOR 14.3 MARE, FROM KURRAJONG.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, THURSDAY, at 12 o'clock,
FAIRLY, Bay P. Mare, 6 yrs., 14.2, by the well-known pony Uncle Tom, thoroughly broken to lad, and has had, and is a very fast trotter.
* This mare is in foal to the trotting sire Tuxedo.

WELL-BRED PONY FROM LIVERPOOL.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. T. Hampton, Liverpool, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
Chestnut Pony Mare, 13.2, by Lucifer, thoroughly quiet and reliable in saddle and harness.

ACTIVE DRAUGHT MARE.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
An Active Draught Bay Mare, staunch in harness, trial given, being sold as the owners have no further use for her.

4 HARNESS HORSES AND 2 ACTIVE DRAUGHTS.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
2 Chestnut Geldings, 6 and 7 years, thoroughly broken to saddle and harness, and 2 active Draught Horses, any trial.

LADY'S HACK, from ST. MARYS.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. A. S. MARKS, St. Marys, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
Dark Bay Gelding, 16 hands, up to any weight, very quiet and is a splendid hack, will carry a lady or gentleman.

FRESH COUNTRY HORSE.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
Grey Gelding, 16 hands, broken to saddle and harness, suitable for a cab, van, or warehouse cart.

ACTIVE DRAUGHT HORSE AND PONY.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. J. FARRELL, Manly, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
An active Draught Bay Gelding, staunch and reliable, any trial, also brown Pony Mare, 4 years, well-bred, good hack and harness pony.

10 FIRST-CLASS MILCH COWS.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. W. LAND, The Hunter, to sell by auction at their Bazaar, TO-MORROW, Friday, at 11.30 a.m.,
10 first-class Milch Cows, with calves at foot.

30 VERY SUPERIOR NEWLY-CALVED COWS.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. D. RUPERTUS to sell by auction, at their Railway Stock Saleyards, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 11 o'clock sharp,
30 newly calved Cows, with calves at foot, including some heavy milkers.
PLEASE NOTE TIME OF SALE 11 O'CLOCK SHARP.

PUREBRED JERSEY BULL.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Railway Yards, 827 George-street, THIS DAY, Thursday,
Pure Jersey Bull, by Sultan, dam Sweet Alice, extended pedigree at sale.

THE 14.1 PONY Donalda will be offered for SALE at Inglis's Yards TO-DAY at 12 o'clock.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Railway Yards, 827 George-street, THIS DAY, THURSDAY, at 11 o'clock sharp,
On account of Messrs. D. Buffier, M'Intosh Bros., S. M'Minn, T. Briggs, and others,
60 First-class MILCH COWS, in full milk, with young calves at foot, from the best dairies in the Southern and Illawarra districts.
Also, at 4 p.m.,
40 Quiet Paddock-fed Fat Cattle.

FAT CATTLE, FAT CALVES, FAT AND STORE PIGS.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Railway Yards, 827 George-street, THIS DAY, THURSDAY, at the usual time,
30 Extra Prime Fat Calves, from Maitland
70 Prime Bacon Pigs, from St. Marys
30 Ditto ditto, from Liverpool
30 Ditto ditto ditto, from Camden
30 Ditto ditto, from Penrith
40 Ditto Fat Pigs, from Camden
30 Ditto ditto ditto, from Suburban owners
26 BUT SPRINGING COWS FROM JAMBEROO.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Railway Yards, 827 George-street, THIS DAY,
30 Superior Springing Cows, from Jamberoo, and including one very nice Jersey, bred by Mr. Ball, of Manly, a splendid milker.
In a Deceased Estate.

DRAUGHT HORSE, SPRINGCART, and HAR.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. G. F. Baily to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, TO-MORROW, Friday, at 11.30 a.m.,
An Active Draught Bay Gelding, a good all-round horse, Springcart, and Harness, in good order.

HANDSOME PAIR OF PONIES, BUGGY, AND HARNESS.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from the owner to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, Jan. 10th, at 12 o'clock,
SPLENDID PAIR MOUSE-COL. PONIES, with SILVER MANES and TAILS, about 12.2 high, thoroughly reliable and quiet in S.D. and S. and D. HARNESS, and winners of many prizes; also nap S. S. Buggy and Set of Double Harness. A really first-class lot, and worthy of special attention. Now on view.

HORSES. HORSES. HORSES.

CAMPERDOWN SALEYARDS.

TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, at 2.30 p.m.

ONE HUNDRED HEAD.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction as above,
On account WESTERN AGENTS, Molong:
39 stylish well-bred Horses, all good ages, and showing plenty of quality and substance, principally unbroken.
Among the lot are a splendid pair of Chestnut Buggy Mares, by The Broker, thoroughly quiet and reliable in harness, a nice Bay Pair for Waggonette or Cabriolet Gelding, by Forest King, and several good buggy and hackney sorts by the well-known sires Perfection and Retford.

On account Mr. W. CROOME, Mudgee:
16 strong upstanding light Horses, 4 to 6 years old, principally broken to saddle and harness.

On account Mr. J. V. NEVELL, Wellington:
10 good useful light Harness and Saddle Horses, broken and unbroken.

On account Mr. C. HADE, Newbridge:
10 heavy and medium draught Horses, all in splendid condition, broken and unbroken.

On account Mr. T. FIELDS, St. Marys:
10 very superior Horses, comprising 3 good heavy draughts, 1 active van sort, and 1 upstanding hackney.

On account WESTERN AGENTS, Dubbo:
20 fresh country Horses, comprising heavy and medium draughts, and upstanding light harness horses, broken and unbroken.
, Included in the lot are just arrived per Buggy Horses, also pair superior Ponies, both pairs thoroughly broken.

On account WESTERN AGENTS, Richmond:
10 medium draughts and strong light harness Horses, all in good condition, broken in.

On account Mr. A. SCHOFIELD, Bream:
10 superior Saddle and Harness Horses, all in grand condition, several of which are specially adapted for remount work.

ST. MARYS.

RAILWAY CATTLE SALEYARDS, next to Railway Station.

250 STORE AND DAIRY CATTLE. 250.

SATURDAY NEXT, JANUARY 11th, at 1 o'clock sharp.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at the above yards, on SATURDAY NEXT, JANUARY 11th, at 1 o'clock sharp,
250 Head good Store and Dairy Cattle, comprising—
100 Well-grown Heifers and Steers, 1½ to 2½ years old.
20 Choice Heifers, 2 to 3 yrs. old.
50 Good young Store Cows.
30 Forward Springers.
40 Prime Paddock-fed Fat Cattle.

*,*86, St. Marys is only one hour's journey from Sydney by rail TRAIN LEAVES SYDNEY ON MORNING OF SALE AT 10.15, RETURNING AT 3.42 P.M. AND 6.47 P.M.

Cattle purchased and to be sent by rail will be carefully paddocked and trucked to suit buyers' convenience. Competent drovers can be had on the ground.

CAMPERDOWN HORSE SALE YARDS.

FRIDAY, 10th JANUARY, at 2.30 p.m.

J. C. YOUNG and CO. will sell by auction, as above,
14 PONIES, broken and unbroken in tiptop condition, account W. ARMSTRONG Esq.

Amongst the consignment are several well-matched pairs, including a pair of White Arab Fillies, thoroughly broken, and Pole Ponies.

PITT, SON, and BADGERY will sell, THIS DAY at the Wool Saleroom, Macquarie-place, at 10.30,
Hair, Horns, and Bones.
And at 2 o'clock, Sheepskins.

WOOL SALES will be held at the Sydney Wool Exchange TO-DAY, Thursday, at 9 p.m., as under:—
1. Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Ltd., 3238 bales.
2. Pastoral Finance Association, Ltd., 4444 bales.

ASHFIELD.

IMPORTANT AUCTION SALE.

THIS DAY, THURSDAY,
9th JANUARY, AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M.,
AT THE ASHFIELD HALL,
corner of LIVERPOOL-ROAD and HOLDEN-STREET, ASHFIELD,
close to Railway Station.

SUPERIOR FURNITURE
and
GENERAL HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS,
being the Furnishings of a Residence of Fifteen Rooms, removed to the above Hall for convenience of Sale, including—
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TWO ELECTROPLATED NIGHT SERVICES
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1901.—May 1st, diamond and 4 d ring, gold chain bracelet; 2 g trophies, s h gpseva 88023, part albert, s neck and bracelet; 2nd, s h lever 7956 and s albert, s h k Waltham 1740272, s h k lever 70647 and g s albert, s h lever 12740, s c albert and watch box, pr field glasses, gent's dress ring, s h gpseva 109228, and g fob albert, pr g s links, g pin, pl sov purse, side drum, g chain bracelt; 3rd, 3 s bangle, s h lever 4205, same and pearl brooch bangle and g bracelet, s h k diamond ring, s h lever 114681, diamond and s ring, pr gold links; 4th, s o c k chronograph 43629, g c bangle, pr g chain and g locket, pr g links and s studs; 7th, g chain and g locket, pr g links and s studs; 8th, dmgd s albert, necklet and locket, g albert, pr g chain, mandoline, g h k Waltham 1574046; 9th, case drawing instruments, s bangle, locket, g chain, s h k gpseva 1892999, dmgd on dia and s d ring, s h k gpseva 22918 (no band), g w ring, pr g specs (glass out), ameyt brooch, mont b s pin, s h lever 75681 and s albert, g h k lever 7th, g h k lever 1885, s h lever 107362, st ring, g h k gpseva 183194 and g albert, h k watch, dia and pearl ring, s h k lever 78590, dia and s d ring, s h Waltham 1834381, gent's diamond set ring, 8th, cameo brooch, s h k gpseva 1675546, g nug ring; 9th, r dia pin, pr g earrings and pipe case, g albert, r dia and st brooch, g c lever 7934, g c albert, op phase, r k chronograph 40228, s h lever 7934, and pr g albertie, g bracelet, f glass, dressing bag (unopn.), g brooch, long g chain, s d gpseva 74562; 10th, opal and s ring, g buckle ring, g h lever 178, 1 g chain, g buckle ring (Remember Me), g buckle ring, g keeper, g c albert, st ring, dia and s d ring, s h lever 40760, s watch 82630 and key's albert, Colt's revolver, 2 g bracelets, g d h k lever 18453; 11th, g band ring, s d g h k Waltham 1638910, lady's g h k gpseva 5431, s h lever 32683, gindalee ring, s h k Waltham 2277461, st ring, racing machine, s h k gpseva 189360 (no winder), part albert and g bangle, g h k lever 8757, pce g albert and pencil case, pearl brooch, crystal pin, 6 gent's rings, cornet, eyeglass and boat case, pearl necklet, pr st dia ring, s h k Waltham 5028886, 3 dia studs, o f watch, g keeper; 12th, st ring, sm st dia ring, g h k Waltham 7263842, g h lever 59758, s c g lever 59758, g albert, greenstone and trophy, h h dia ring, 5 st dia ring, g keeper, s h lever 11234, cruet, g bangle, g albert, s h k lever 210105, g band ring, s h k Waltham 1262262, pr g earrings (moon), s h Waltham 1470693, r dia brooch and earrings, pr g studs, s h k gpseva 4243 (no bezel) 1073016, s c albert and locket, r dia and st bangle, lady's Waltham 1042253, 1 chain locket and g c bracelet, sm st dia ring, g wedding ring, g o t lever 88827, g h lever 13047, lady's g albert, e p cup, sweetbox, 2 albertes, opal ring, lady's pearl ring, g h k lever 7, s albert, g c bracelet, s h Waltham 306093, g albert, pr g links, cameo brooch, g albert, locket (no stones), r diamond and st brooch, tobacco jar, ivory brushes, sword stick; 13th, sm st dia rings, sm tools, pearl ring, handbag, g bracelet and keepers, teapot, toastrack and 6 spoons, pr fish glasses, g brooch and g rings, sand timer, gong and lung beater, pendant, st cameo brooch, g sig ring, sm st dia ring, sm st dia ring, sm st dia ring, s h k Waltham 8274548, ivory rings, g brooch, s h k gpseva 32808, g albert, locked (unopn.), g sov brooch, toast rack, pr g links, 7 knives 10 forks and 17 spoons; 15th, g h chronograph 28953, g albert and opal trinket, 3 st dia bangle, pr bangle (1 st. shft), pearl bangle, s s din brooch, pearl and moonstone brooch, g h k repeating chronograph 50742, g bne bracelet, g bracelet (not plain), st. g bag, e p teapot, cream jug and toast rack, 2 c p serv rings, 2 s card cases, button hook, shoe horn, 13 bones perfumery, g ring, half hoop ring, pearl h s bangle s h lever 76700, dia pin or stud, e p teapot s m box, part s albert, g sov purse, 17th, fish knife, fork and mug, s h lever 86536, g h k chronograph 67093, g c albert and s sov purse, long and short link g albert, st ring, 12 e p forks, 7 tea spoons, butt knife, lady's g c lever 12913, 1 g chain, g nug ring, pr earrings, cameo brooch, h h st ring, half hoop pearl ring, s h k Waltham 9248343, s o ten spoons and forks, 6 table knives, carv. and steel, s sm box; 18th, 5 wigs, g h k lever 3 over 4709, s h gpseva 47302 and s albert, dia and opal ring, g w ring, h k Waltham 7089621, s h gpseva 1, pr g links, cameo brooch, s nd 46 Jubilee stamps, o f met watch and pearl trinket; 20th, mandoline, lact g w ring, marble clock, g chain, heart pendant, and silk locket, g ring, s d ring, and overcoat, 3 cashmeres, g mtd miniature photo, g sig ring, g c bracelet and dia and st g ring, 3 bottles liqueur stand; 21st, dia and st half hoop ring, dia pin, 12 hooks (Shakspeare), dia claw setting garnet ring, e p tea and coffee set, g h k gpseva, s h lever 229185, gladstone bag, s o f lever 22805 g brooch and earrings, fld glass, h k Waltham 787530, and g albert, steel pen, pocket knife, g h k gpseva 1892999, 1 dmd on dia and s d ring, s h k gpseva 22918 (no band), g w ring, pr g specs (glass out), ameyt brooch, mont b s pin, s h lever 75681 and s albert, g h k lever 7th, g h k lever 1885, s h lever 107362, st ring, g h k gpseva 183194 and g albert, h k watch, dia and pearl ring, s h k lever 78590, dia and s d ring, s h Waltham 1834381, diamond sunburst service; 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THE REFUGEE CAMPS.

THE REPORTS IN THE BLUE BOOK.

THE CAUSES OF MORTALITY.

BOER TREATMENT OF CHILDREN.

In response to a request from the Secretary of State for War, dated March 18 of last year, Lord Kitchener collected reports from the officers charged with the administration of the refugee camps in South Africa. The result is the Blue Book now before us, which was presented to the Imperial Parliament at the close of its last session. It would be impossible for any unprejudiced person gleaning through its pages to maintain that the refugee camps are in any way neglected. The Imperial Government is, indeed, open to the other charge formulated in a recent cablegram, that the Boers in these camps are treated more liberally than loyalists. However this may be, it will be of interest, in view of this latest information, to review some matters contained in the Blue Book.

THE INMATES OF THE CAMPS.

The inmates of the different camps in the Transvaal—presumably also in Cape Colony and in the Orange River Colony—may be divided into three classes: 1. Those who have come into the camps for the protection of themselves and their herds, and are self-supporting. 2. Those who have surrendered and come into camp for protection, but who are unable to support themselves. In this class are included widows and orphans and the relatives of prisoners of war. 3. Those whose husbands are on commando, and were brought into camp for their own protection against natives, or for military reasons. Commenting on these three classes, Major Goodwin, General Superintendent of the Burgher Camps Department, reports that the great majority of the men in the Transvaal camps who have taken the oath of allegiance are both well-behaved and helpful.

THE DISQUIETING ELEMENT.

"It is disquieting to find," the General Superintendent goes on, "that in most of the camps the wives and families of burghers still fighting think of and treat contemptuously those whose immediate male relatives (having surrendered) have taken the oath of neutrality, and I must regret that the congregation of all classes in the same camps has materially increased the difficulty of management, and of our influencing those living in these camps to willingly become our loyal fellow-subjects; for it is difficult to treat with the liberality they deserve classes 1 and 2 without incurring the reproach of having treated class 3 with undue generosity." What ought to have been done, continues Major Goodwin, was to compel class 3 to decide between unprotected starvation on their farms and at their homes, or taking up their quarters in or behind the enemy's lines.

THE RULES OF THE CAMPS.

We look in vain in the reports for any evidence of harshness in the treatment of refugees, friendly or hostile. Those who are not self-supporting are rationed on the same basis, no distinction whatever being made between the families of Boers who have surrendered and the families of Boers out on commando. No camp is enclosed by a fence. The inmates enjoy free intercourse with each other, and visitors are admitted without difficulty. Nor is a pass necessary as a general rule when refugees desire to visit the town adjacent to the camps, though it may easily be understood how this privilege is likely to be abused by malcontents.

DISCIPLINE.

As regards discipline, the General Superintendent of the Burgher Camps Department recommends his superintendents by circular to "locate any and every woman who gives you an undue amount of trouble in this respect (with her children if any), in a selected portion of your camp, putting a paid corporal from amongst the refugees to guard them; in fact, make them temporarily prisoners at large within a limited area on ration scale B" (from which luxuries are excluded, but which is in many ways superior to the rations enjoyed by our own soldiers on the march). "To deal with the men you can form a paid gang of scavengers, or labourers unemployed on other work, and make any troublesome man join such working party without pay, and work alongside his paid comrades for a period proportionate to his offence."

THE EMPLOYMENT OF WOMEN.

All through the Blue Book reference is made to the necessity of keeping the women who are capable of work busy at some congenial employment. Thus all superintendents are advised to organise from among the most responsible and intelligent of the well-disposed women and big girls a corps of inspectors or superintendents, whose duty it should be to visit every family at least once every day. "They will see," says the circular, "that cleanliness is observed, report any cases of sickness or danger of infection to doctor or matron." If they had fulfilled their duty—or if they had not been constitutionally unqualified for its performance—there would not have been the outbreaks of measles amongst children, and of enteric disorders amongst adults, of which so much has been made by pro-Boer agitators. But they tired soon, and left their work undone.

CAUSES OF MORTALITY.

The causes of the mortality in the camps may be recognised on almost every page of the Blue Book. The chief of them is the flagrant and wilful disobedience of rules made for the preservation of health. Thus in the camp at Irene, in the Transvaal, Dr. Turner, principal medical officer for the colony, finds that women will insist on carrying out butchering operations in front of their tents. Then, Boer women will not listen to the doctors. They are told that the condensed milk, which alone is available, should be properly diluted if it is to be given to children. "You cannot get the Boer mothers to understand this," says Dr. Turner; "they have the rooted idea that the more condensed milk is added to the bottle of water the more nourishment the child gets. The result is an overloaded stomach, undigested food in the intestines, and diarrhœa." The medical men go into other details which cannot be quoted here, but which make one marvel how it is that the mortality has not been greater.

With regard to the Potchefstroom camp, the inspector reports that it is not as clean as it might be. "The inside of many of the tents, and the outside of most of the inhabitants, might be described as filthy, and they did not seem the happier for it. Cleanliness is not a Boer virtue as a rule, nor in the camps, and the people resent any interference in this direction."

TREATMENT OF SICK CHILDREN.

Especially is the mortality exclusible when one has regard to the manner in which Boer mothers treat their sick children. Six months ago the Military Governor of Pretoria informed the Commander-in-Chief that "unfortunately the death-rate amongst the children (in the camps) continues high, owing to the prevalence of measles and unsuitable cold nights. The Boer mother is greatly to blame. She insists on tending her children, and refuses to obey the order of the doctor or the advice of the nurse. The Boer remedy for measles, apparently, is a tea made of goats' dung. This is administered by the mothers with deplorable results. Another favourite remedy appears to be an absolute refusal to wash the children, or any attempt at cleanliness." Another medical man attributes the great mortality amongst young children—"I believe," he adds, "the mortality amongst the Boer children, even when on their own farms, is very great"—to their being badly clothed and carelessly looked after. The Boer nurses, too, are unsatisfactory, "as they get tired of the work before they are of any assistance." "The high death-rate among the children," reports Dr. Kendal Franks, "I would like to emphasise again, is in no way due to want of care or dereliction of duty on the part of those responsible for the (Irene) camp. The opinion, due to the people themselves; to their dirty habits both as regards their own personal cleanliness and the cleanliness of their children and of their surroundings; to their prejudices; their ignorance; and their distrust of others, even their own nationality, when their advice runs counter to their own preconceived and antiquated ideas. This is specially noted in connection with their treatment of the sick, with their rooted objection to soap and water, to fresh air and to hospitals."

GREEN PAINT AS A REMEDY.

Dr. Kendal Franks describes a visit to the refugee camp at Krugersdorp at the end of last July, when, as he heard, an epidemic of measles was just beginning. "Should this occur," he reports, "the ignorance, prejudices, and habits of these people, of which I have seen several examples in this camp, will make this disease a very large contributor to the death rate of this camp." Dr. Franks then gives the following case as having recently occurred:—"A recent remedy among the Boers, no matter what is the nature of the ailment, is to paint the part afflicted with green paint. Three children, named —, were suffering from some complaint which I was unable to ascertain. The children were painted all over with green paint, with the exception of the face. Two of the children, a boy, aged 4, and a girl, aged 7, were admitted on July 24 to the hospital. The boy died the same day, and the girl the following day, both of acute arsenical poisoning; the third child, aged 4 months, died before the others were brought into hospital."

A MEDLEY OF REMEDIES.

"Dr. Aymard (in charge of the camp) was sent for," says Dr. Kendal Franks, "to see a child, aged 2, in the camp, who was unconscious. He found on the table in the tent the following Dutch remedies, all of which were being administered at the same time without any doctor's orders:—

"Hoffman's drops (containing ether).
"Essenz dulcis (containing opium).
"Red powder (containing tartar emetic).
"Jamaica ginger.
"Dutch drops (composition unknown).
"The child continues unconscious."

The wonder is that the child, in whose system all these remedies were working their sweet way, remained alive at all.

SARDINES.

The Boer mother has a Spartan ambition to make her child strong, and believes in feeding it, ill or well, with food which grown persons cannot always digest. Especially if it is ill. Then, says the Boer mother in her language, we must strengthen the system. There was a 4 months old baby at this Krugersdorp camp who was suffering from bronchitis. Naturally the doctor ordered that nothing but milk should be given to it—cow's milk, if that were available, we may suppose, or the diluted condensed milk. But the Boer mother knew better. She absolutely refused to give the infant milk, but fed it on sardines instead. Of course the child died—another victim to the unrivalled stupidity of Boer women, or, as our pro-Boers would have it, another victim to British brutality.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

In their zeal for the comfort of the refugees—comfort which our soldiers have to do without—the authorities arrange to provide them with religious services conducted, so far as possible, by ministers of their denomination or by authorised members. The only stipulation is that the ministers should not use their opportunities unlawfully, but it is a question whether this obligation is observed. However that may be, there is no doubt as to the liberality of the arrangements in this direction in all the camps. Thus in Irene—about which the cruellest lies have been circulated—lies which Lord Roberts has considered it advisable to contradict—the Boppar, English, and Dutch Reformed Churches hold regular services. In the Johannesburg camp there is Sunday school in the morning, service in the afternoon, and prayer meetings every evening. In the Howick camp Divine service is held daily, and there are Sunday school and Bible classes under the direction of a Dutch minister. These are only a few instances taken at random from the reports. They show that even as regards the religious needs of the refugees every possible provision is made for their comfort.

EDUCATION.

Every refugee camp is supplied with a school or schools. Boer people do not like these as managed by the British; they prefer their own. One of these own is noticed in a report from the superintendent of the Irene camp. "The chief corporal of my Burgher Police," he says, "one day asked me whether I had any objection to a young lady teaching the very small children, who could not attend regular school, and were too small to be received in the school, the A B C in her private tent. I offered no objection, but said I would inspect the A B C classes when time allowed. For nearly 10 days I tried daily to find this infants' class in working order during the hours that were mentioned to me, but every time on my approach the children were dismissed, and, not finding any attendance, I one morning sat down on the form in the tent and sent for the owner and the teacher. The young lady who gave the lessons was sent for, and she stated to me that she was only 12 years old, and that she had 16 pupils, and that the eldest was a boy of 12 years old." It is certainly not matter for surprise that the system of education established in the camps should appear in the light of tyranny to persons who would view with equanimity a 12-year-old girl, possibly as ignorant as her pupils, teaching children of her own age.

STATE CHILDREN RELIEF BOARD.

MONTHLY MEETING.

The monthly meeting of the State Children Relief Board was held at the board-room, Richmond-terrace, Domain, yesterday afternoon. There were present: Hon. L. F. Heydon, M.L.C. (president), Mrs. Slattery, Lady Allen, and Mrs. Grimshaw. The boarding-out officer's report was read, showing that 50 children had been admitted to control since last meeting and 50 discharged, leaving at the present time 3783 children under the supervision of the board. Of these 1297 are apprenticed, 110 adopted, 157 in cottage homes, and 2116 boarded out. Besides these there are 3254 children placed out with their mothers (1143 widows and others) under section 10 of the State Children Relief Act of 1896. Mrs. Slattery reported on her visit to the cottage homes at Mittagong. Accounts amounting to £8355 8s were passed for payment. Since last meeting £210 19s 5d was received from contributing parents and others for the maintenance of children, and deposited to the credit of the consolidated revenue. Authority was given for the apprentices ship of 113 children who had attained the age for indenture. Twenty-two applications for the restoration of children to their relatives were dealt with, 16 being approved and 6 refused. 166 applications for the custody of State children were considered, 55 being refused, and 101 approved. The resignations of the following lady visitors were received with regret:—Mrs. Irons, for Granville; Mrs. L. Mallam, for Armidale; Mrs. C. C. Doyle, for Kiama; Mrs. H. Bliss, for Armidale; and Mrs. V. L. Brown, for Gunnedah. The following lady visitors were appointed:—Mrs. E. J. Willis, for Ultimo; Mrs. J. Hughes and Mrs. F. Punch, for North Sydney.

RESIGNATION OF THE PRESIDENT.

The following letter from the president, Sir Arthur Renwick, was read:—

"I regret to inform you that I have resigned my office as president of the board, an office I have discharged since the inception of the boarding-out system—20 years ago.

"In my last annual report to Parliament I stated that, in all probability, that report would be the last I would submit in consequence of the large demands made on my time by the work of the department, and the great responsibility I incurred in my position as president. The work of the department has increased so greatly of late years (as I explained) that I was of opinion that the purely honorary services of the president and the board were too largely called upon.

"At a later time I informed the board that, in consequence of arrangements made with the Attorney-General, I was assisting in the framing of a bill to provide that all the children of the State should be controlled by the board, so that they should not be, as is the case at present, under divided authority, and so that the development of the work of the department so unified should be carried out on the advanced and improved lines adopted by other countries.

"Shortly afterwards a deputation, consisting of the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, the Mayor and aldermen of Mittagong, and myself, waited on the Premier (Hon. John See) in order that a recommendation made by me some years ago should be adopted, to the effect that a certain selected block of land in the vicinity of Mittagong should be resumed by the Government for the purpose of erecting modern cottage homes for the sick and invalid children now domiciled in the township in most unsuitable and inadequate boundary dwellings. A promise was made that if further reports were favourable the land would be resumed and the amount required to carry out the recommendation would be placed on the Loan Estimates.

"The bill since referred to has not been introduced into Parliament, and the amount for the cottage homes has not been provided for. I am sure the board (well aware of the condition of the homes in which the children are at present placed) must, like myself, be greatly disatisfied at this position of affairs. I trust that both these vital matters will speedily be effected, in the interest of the children of the State, as well as the good conduct of the department.

"The discharge of the duties of president of the board has always been to me a source of unmingled pleasure. My relations with the board, in all its varied changes of personnel during the long period of 20 years, have been of the happiest character, and I gladly bear testimony (if such is necessary) to the great and good services of the ladies and gentlemen who from time to time have been associated with me in the work of the board.

"I am also glad to reaffirm the statement I made in my last annual report as to the satisfactory condition of all the various details connected with the work of the department, and the manner in which the various officials discharge their onerous duties."

Mrs. Slattery moved,—"1. That the president be respectfully asked to consent to withdraw his resignation. 2. That the foregoing resolution be communicated to the Hon. the Premier. 3. That the Hon. the Premier be asked to receive a deputation from the board with reference to the resignation of the president."

The resolution was seconded by Lady Allen, and carried unanimously.

NORTH SHORE GAS COMPANY.

IMPORTANT NEW WORKS.

Recognising the rapid development of North Sydney and the northern suburbs, the directors of the North Shore Gas Company have been actively engaged of late in carrying out important additions at the works, Neutral Bay, by which when completed will the company be in a position to meet the requirements of the district for several years to come. Not only have the facilities for manufacturing gas been increased, but the storage capacity has also received consideration. The company is almost constantly engaged in augmenting its supply, as rapidly as the number of consumers increasing, and, anticipating a continued development of the district, the directors have put in hand works that will place them five years in advance of present requirements. The residents of portions of Chatswood and Lane Cove, more particularly in the Longueville-road, are now being supplied, and other main extensions are being carried out.

At the works at Neutral Bay a large additional retort house is being erected, at a cost of £5000, which will enable the production of gas to be nearly doubled. The building is being erected on the lower level facing the waters of the bay, and is constructed of steel and iron upon solid stone foundations. Upon the higher ground a new gasometer is approaching completion. This will raise the storage of gas from 250,000 cubic feet to 920,000 cubic feet. Thus the company will have a storage nearly double the amount at present required. The work has been one of considerable magnitude, and has been in hand since April last, when the necessary excavation was commenced. The portion of the undertaking took six months to complete, and then the building of the tank and guide framing was commenced. Great progress has been made, and it is anticipated by the company's engineer, Mr. J. O. Moreland, that the work will be completed about May next. The capacity of the new gasometer will be 630,000 cubic feet, and it is being constructed in three lifts, each of 26ft., the diameters being respectively 110ft., 108ft., and 106ft. The guide framings are mostly in position, as are the tie girders, which will be completed about the end of the present week. The cost of the new holder is £12,000. The additions are being carried out under the direct supervision of Mr. Moreland. Other important works are also in contemplation.

FOLLY POINT TRAMWAY.

The question of extending the tramway service of North Sydney to Folly Point, Middle Harbour, was mentioned at a recent meeting of the North Sydney Council, when Alderman J. R. Hardie asked the Mayor to request the members for St. Leonards, Mr. Willoughby, and Warrngah to again urge the Government to proceed with the promised extension.

Mr. C. E. Howarth, M.L.A., has been informed by the Minister for Works (Mr. E. W. O'Sullivan) that the work will be started in about six weeks' time. The intention of the Minister has given general satisfaction to the large population in the district to be served by the new line.

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LAW REPORT.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8.

IN CHAMBERS.

(Before Mr. Justice Stephen.)

CASE UNDER THE REGISTRATION OF BRANDS ACT.

Dawson v. Clarke.

Mr. Kelynack, instructed by the Acting-Crown Solicitor, appeared for the plaintiff on a special case stated for the opinion of the Court. There was no appearance on behalf of the defendant. It appeared that defendant, Henry Clarke, was charged at Nimitybelle, on the information of Robert Weston Dawson, inspector of stock for the Bombala district, that he did on October 12, 1901, at Nimitybelle, three months after the date of the Act 30 Vict., No. 12 (Registration of Brands Act), coming into operation, use, direct, or permit to be used a brand not registered with the registrar of brands, contrary to the 7th section of the Act. Defendant pleaded not guilty. The evidence went to show that defendant bought 13 or 14 cattle at the Nimitybelle saleyards from one Cochrane, and, acting under his instructions, Cochrane placed the brand "B," which was not the defendant's registered brand, on the animals. When spoken to about the matter by the inspector defendant said that he did not know he was doing wrong, and that he directed Cochrane to put a "B" or "No. 2" brand on the cattle so that he would be able to distinguish them from other cattle on the common. The point was taken that it was no offence to use a brand so long as it was registered, and the brand used was registered in the name of Cochrane, from whom the defendant purchased the cattle. The magistrate dismissed the information, being of opinion that the evidence was insufficient to support it, and the question was whether the determination of the magistrate was erroneous in point of law.

Mr. Kelynack submitted that it was perfectly clear, from the terms of the 7th section of the Act, that the offence provided for was using a brand not registered by the owner of the cattle bearing such brand. The words of the section were:—"Every person who shall use or intend to use a brand shall register the same with the Registrar of Brands. And anyone who shall three months after the date of this Act coming into operation use or attempt, direct, or permit to be used a brand not so registered," should be liable to a penalty not exceeding £50. The defendant, therefore, should have registered the brand before using it.

His Honor held that the decision of the magistrate was erroneous in point of law, and that the evidence was sufficient to support the information. Respondent to pay the costs of the application.

APPLICATION AGAINST AN ALDERMAN.

Kynaston v. Sparrow.

Mr. Rolin, instructed by Mr. H. L. Wilkinson, of Denilquin (by Messrs. Wilkinson and Osborne), appeared for John St. Leger Kynaston, of Denilquin, and moved under section 109 of the Municipalities Act for a rule nisi calling upon John Frances Sparrow, licensed victualler, to show cause why he should not be ousted from the position of alderman of the municipal district of Deniliquin. The application was based upon an affidavit by the applicant in which he said that he was nominated by a number of electors, two of whom swore that they had paid their rates and were therefore entitled to nominate him. The Mayor, who was the returning-officer, however refused to receive the nomination paper and declared the respondent Sparrow duly elected. It was now sought to set aside the election on the ground that the returning-officer had no power to refuse the applicant's nomination, as his power was ministerial and not judicial; and also that the respondent did not give 14 days' notice of his nomination as provided by the Act.

The rule nisi was granted, and made returnable next term.

A QUESTION OF STATE JURISDICTION.

Re Frank Schuck (C. C. Pope and another respondents).

Mr. Tighe, instructed by Messrs. Sparke and Millard of Newcastle (by Messrs. Sparke and Angus), appeared for Frank Schuck, and moved for a rule nisi calling upon Milton Sidney Love, S.M., of Newcastle, and Charles Chatfield Pope, Sub-collector of Customs, also of Newcastle, to show cause why a writ of prohibition should not be issued to restrain them from further proceeding upon an order made against Schuck. It appeared from the affidavits that Schuck was charged under the 165th section of the State Customs Act 42 Vic., No. 19, with having on October 2, at Newcastle, been concerned in the unshipping to evade the payment of duties due thereon of 1800 cigars, whereby the defendant had forfeited a penalty of £100. It appeared that on December 3 last Schuck was charged at the police court, Newcastle, with the offence referred to, and upon the information being read Mr. William Sparke, who represented defendant, stated that the accused declined to plead on the ground that the Act under which the information was laid had no force or effect in New South Wales or elsewhere, as it had been entirely superseded by the Commonwealth Constitution Act, No. 6, of 1901, and also that the Federal tariff imposing uniform duties was in force. The magistrate, however, ruled that the case should proceed. At the conclusion of the evidence the attorney named again addressed the Court, urging the objections mentioned, together with others. On December 16 the matter was further argued, and the magistrate, overruling all the objections raised, convicted defendant and fined him £100, in default of payment to be imprisoned in Maitland Gaol for a period of three months with hard labour. He now appealed on the following among other grounds:—(1) That the complainant having admitted that a uniform tariff had been imposed throughout the States, and a printed list of the import duties purporting to be a copy of the Commonwealth tariff and admitted by the complainant to be the tariff then operative, having been put in evidence, the magistrate was in error in holding that the Act 42 Vic., No. 19, was still in force; (2) that uniform duties of customs having been imposed throughout the Commonwealth before the laying of the information herein, the Act 42 Vic. No. 19, was, at the date of the said hearing, of no force or effect whatever; (3) that the Federal Customs Act, No. 6, of 1901, being in force before the laying of the information and at the time of the hearing thereof, the Act, 42 Vic., No. 19, under which the proceedings were laid, was of no force or effect whatever; (4) that the information was laid and the proceedings taken by a person not duly and legally authorised in that behalf, having been appointed under the State Customs Act; (5) that the Act, 42 Vic., No. 19, was in force, the only offence disclosed was an offence against the 124th section of that Act.

The rule was granted, and made returnable next Term before the Full Court.

A POINT UNDER THE LICENSING ACT.

Elliott v. Levy.

Mr. Garland, instructed by the Acting Crown Solicitor, appeared for the plaintiff, William Richard Elliott, of Parramatta, and stated the case stated for the opinion of the Court. There was no appearance on behalf of respondent. The respondent, Andrew Levy, who is the transferee of a publican's license for the licensed house known as the Carlisle Castle, situated at Newtown, was charged with having neglected to produce on the endorsement of the transfer of the license when it was demanded by Sub-inspector Agnew, and without giving some reasonable excuse for non-production thereof. The defendant pleaded not guilty, and it appeared from the evidence that respondent when called upon to produce the transfer of the license stated that a firm of brewers held a bill of sale over respondent's property, and that they had insisted upon having the transfer of the license lodged with them as an additional security; and the question to be determined was whether the fact of a person having put the license out of his control and given it into the control of a person who could prevent him from complying with the provisions of the Act was a "reasonable excuse" for non-production within section 95 of the Liquor Act (No. 18 of 1898). The case was heard before Mr. E. H. Wilshire, S.M., who dismissed the information on the ground that the fact deposed to by the defendant was a reasonable excuse within the meaning of section 95, given by such person to the satisfaction of the Court for the non-production of the indorsement or transfer. The question was whether the determination of the magistrate was erroneous in point of law.

His Honor answered the question in the affirmative and sustained the appeal with costs.

BANKRUPTCY COURT.

VOLUNTARY SEQUESTRATIONS.

Thomas Hampton, of 507 King-street, Newtown, assistant butcher. Mr. L. T. Lloyd, official assignee.

Joseph James Fawcett, of Marion-street, Leichhardt, grocer. Mr. W. H. Palmer, official assignee.

Samuel Benny Serjeant, of Gunnedah, newspaper proprietor. Mr. L. T. Lloyd, official assignee.

William Ford, junior, and George Crispin, traders as Ford and Crispin, of Grafton, fruiterers and confectioners. Mr. W. H. Palmer, official assignee.

Michael O'Grady, of the Junction, near Maitland, ramsman, miner. Mr. S. P. Gibbs, official assignee.

William Nagle, trading as J. W. Nagle, of Morree, saddler. Mr. W. H. Palmer, official assignee.

William Hall M'Donnell, of 22 Chisholm-street, Surry Hills, contractor. Mr. W. H. Palmer, official assignee.

CREDITORS' PETITIONS.

C. D'Arcy and Co., of Sydney, merchants, versus Sarah Mullane, of Cooma. Petition to be heard January 17.

H. Prescott and Co., of 338 Sussex-street, Sydney, merchants, versus William Bishop, of 115 Harbour-street, Darling Harbour, grocer. Petition to be heard January 17.

LAW NOTICES.

SUPREME COURT.—Thursday, January 9.

Master's Office.—Before the Deputy Registrar.—At 11 a.m.: Curtis v. Gillett, to settle minutes of order. At 11.30 a.m.: Tyson v. Tyson, to settle minutes of order. At 12 noon: Minister for Works and Elliott, to settle minutes of order. At 12.30 p.m.: John Booth and Co., Limited, to settle minutes of order. At 2.30 p.m.: Richard Butler and Conveyancing Act, to settle minutes of order.

Before the Chief Clerk.—Farnsworth v. The Joker, 10.30; Fernswan, Wright, and Co. v. Nelson and another, 11.

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Boy riders: S. Chippendall, 1; Loosemore, 2.

Trotting in saddle: James Downs, 1 and 2.

High jump: H. Morton, 1; G. Lindsay, 2.

Dairy Cattle.—Bull, 3 years and over: Miller Brothers, 1; E. Hamilton, 2; Stuart Brothers, 3. Cow in milk: Miller Brothers, 1; Miller Brothers, 2; Sharp, 3. Dry cow: Lindsay Brothers, 1; R. Gibson, 2. Cows in milk, not more than four teeth: Lindsay Brothers, 1; W. Shaw, 2. Dairy cow, milking or dry: W. Sharp, 1; Miller Brothers, 2. Pen of three dairy cows: Lindsay Brothers, 1; Hyam, 2. Pen of three dairy cows not previously shown: Sharp, 1; Frost, 2. Three cows in milk, under 5 years: Lindsay Brothers, 1; Hyam, 2. Group of district cattle: Lindsay Brothers, 1; Miller Brothers, 2; Reid, 3.

Champion cow: Lindsay Brothers.

Jersey.—Bull, 3 years: Hyam, 1; Lang, 2. Bull, 2 years: Hyam, 1; Frost, 2. Bull, 1 year: Hyam, 1; Collaery, 2. Cow: Hyam, 1; Lang, 2. Heifer, 2 years: Hay, 1; Hyam, 2. Heifer, 1 year: Thompson, 1; Hay, 2.

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OUR CANADIAN LETTER.

THE PACIFIC CABLE.

VICTORIA (B.C.), Dec. 13.

Work is progressing favourably on the wharfs and buildings of the cable station being established at the terminus of the Pacific cable line, which is to land at Banfield Creek, on the west coast of Vancouver Island, about 80 miles by water from Victoria. The plans for the cable station buildings have been drawn by a local architect, and approved by the Pacific Cable Company. The main building will have a frontage of 120ft. and a depth of 100ft. It is T shaped, one arm being devoted to the cable telegraph and land telegraph suites of offices, and the other wing will be the residential section. The steamer Anglia is to leave the Thames at the end of January with part of the cable on board, and the work of laying the 7386 miles of cable, at a cost of £1,780,000, will then be commenced.

This west coast of Vancouver Island, where the cable is to land, has been keeping up its record as the graveyard of the Pacific, for this winter's gales have added more wrecks to those already on the coast. The first to be reported was the barque Highland Light, a vessel of 1180 tons, which foundered after a long fight with the elements 80 miles off the island coast, her crew being taken off by a 40-ton schooner which was returning from Cape Nome, and which had been beaten back for three weeks from the entrance to the Straits, and was blown to the scene of the loss of the Highland Light just in time to take off Captain Gillespie and the crew of 14 men of the barque, who had been left on the coast, where they lived on clams for two weeks until the coasting steamer found them and brought them to port.

SHIPPING DISASTERS.

In the same storm the large British ship Nelson, laden with grain from Portland for the United Kingdom, was made to leak, and turned over on her starboard beam. The tug which picked her up to take her back to port broke her hawser, and the ship was left at the mercy of the storm until picked up by the passenger steamer Walla Walla, which towed her to Seattle in order to have her in American territory for the legal proceedings, she having filed a claim for two-thirds of the value of the ship and cargo as salvage. The ship is worth 100,000dol. and the cargo 40,000dol. Another big salvage find was that of the tug Tyee, which picked up the abandoned Glasgow barque Pinmore off the Washington coast after all her crew had left her. The barque was blown over on her starboard beam, and springing a leak it seemed that she must be lost in the gale. Captain Jamieson and his crew of 23 left her in the ship's boats, and after 16 hours in the boats 16 made the land, the other seven being drowned by the capsizing of their boat. The tug Tatoosh's master heard of the loss of the barque, and telegraphing to the owners of the tug Tyee, of Port Townsend, they sent their tug to look for the derelict barque, which was picked up without a soul on board and towed to port.

On December 4, the day on which so many vessels were lost, the French barque Ernest Beyer, a steel vessel with three masts, went on the beach 20 miles from the scene of the abandonment of the Pinmore, and she is a total loss. Her crew were saved. The ship Bardu is also lost, she having been driven up on the sands of the Oregon coast, which, although not so destructive to shipping as the rocks of Vancouver Island, hold fast the craft which are caught in their sands.

The disaster to shipping which, it is feared, will involve the greatest loss of life, is that to the steam collier Matteawan, a large steamer engaged in carrying coal from the British Columbia mines to San Francisco, a voyage of three days' duration. She has now been out 12 days, and wreckage bearing her name has been picked up by Indians on the coast near the mouth of Cape Flattery. As she left port just prior to the terrible gales of December 3 and 4, it is feared that she has gone down with all on board. She carries a crew of about 30.

The steam collier Victoria broke her shaft off the coast, and she was towed to port by another collier, the San Mateo, which has filed a salvage claim for 75,000dol. A number of sailing vessels have also been reported dismasted, and it is feared that the full tale of disaster is yet to be told.

BURIED TREASURES OF COCOS ISLAND.

In a few days the brigantine Blakely will sail from Victoria with an expedition to search for the buried treasures of Cocos Island. These treasures, deposited there by the barque Mary Dier, are variously estimated at from 50,000,000 dollars to 60,000,000 dollars. The expedition is being sent by a company formed in Victoria and Western Canada, known as the Pacific Exploration and Development Company, and in their prospectus this company's secretary tersely tells of the deposit of the treasures as follows:—"The first treasure was deposited there about the year 1821 by a British ship which had become a pirate vessel; history gathered from official sources shows capture, trial, execution of leaders, and imprisonment of men. The treasure was very carefully hidden, sinking in gravel and tunneling in rock; and when some of the men were subsequently taken back in expeditions from San Francisco and Australia they failed to locate it. No data were in existence to show its location. Every clue which has been followed in endeavouring to find it has been evolved from the memory of these men, so far as can be ascertained. The nature of the ground and its changeableness from the operation of the elements make it a practical impossibility to ever locate the treasure without a vast amount of prospecting, unless treasure-finding instruments are used. The second treasure was deposited on Cocos Island by the barquentine Mary Dier, also a British ship, in about the year 1835, which is said to have landed 11 boat loads of treasure on Cocos Island. This ship was captured by Peru, and all hands executed but three men. These three men never had an opportunity to return to the island, the death of each being traced within the next decade. Finally, a man named Keaton, who is believed to be the only man ever told by any survivor of the pirates of the Mary Dier of the location of the treasure, succeeded in finding it and carried away as much as he could conveniently upon his person. He was preparing to return with an expedition to point out the location, when he died. He stated previous to his death that the amount of treasure seen by him on the island was very great, there being a large number of boxes and kegs full of gold and jewels. An expedition was afterwards sent to locate it by means of a drawing made by Keaton, but a landslide had obliterated the bearing upon which all depended, and as far as could be ascertained had apparently covered the place of deposit. Comparatively little search has since been made for the treasure, most of the attention being directed towards the other."

The British warships Imperieuse and Amphion have both searched for this treasure, and many other private expeditions have delved unsuccessfully.

Mr. William Stitt, the newly-appointed agent of the Canadian Pacific Railway, whose purpose is to endeavour to secure trade between Australia and Canada, is a passenger on the Miowera for Sydney.

BROKEN HILL LEASES.

With reference to the reported activity in regard to Broken Hill silver lead shares recently, and the statement that Londion operators were buying largely, Mr. Kidd, the Minister for Mines, expresses the opinion that this upward tendency is due to the legislation which he caused to be passed just prior to the closing of Parliament. For some time past, he says, there has been a great uncertainty and no little amount of anxiety as to whether Broken Hill leases would be renewed, and this tended to depress investments in these properties. With the view of allaying all fears of this kind Mr. Kidd had an Act passed by which companies are granted the right of renewal, and upon definitely stated terms. Previously the terms of renewal were an unknown quantity, but under the Act which he has had passed the companies can apply within five years of the date of expiry of their current lease for renewal, and that will be granted to them on their paying a yearly charge on the net profits at the rate of 1 per cent. on all amounts up to £200,000, and 1½ per cent. on amounts over and above that sum.

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ANTI-BRITISH FEELING IN GERMANY.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

BERLIN, Nov. 28.

The South African war has revealed the real attitude of the German people towards England. The hostility which Germans have manifested in various ways during the course of the war is no sentiment of recent growth. It found occasional and confused expression in the complaints made against the Empress Frederick, and there can be little doubt that the famous telegram which the present Emperor despatched to Mr. Kruger on the occasion of the Jameson raid, whatever may have been its immediate cause, was ultimately due to a current of popular sentiment with which his Majesty in those days sought to swim. The hostility exists now as it has existed for some time. It has grown with the growth of the German national consciousness, and was never so acute as it is to-day, when the German Empire has attained to a condition of morbid self-consciousness which it would be difficult to parallel in the case of any other existing nation.

It is a psychological task of extreme delicacy to describe accurately and exhaustively the sources of the anti-British sentiment in Germany. One thing, at least, is certain. The Boer war is not the cause of the sentiment; it has been little more than the occasion of its manifestation. The actual causes lie much farther back, and are connected partly with the general incapacity of Germans to estimate fairly the strong and the weak points of foreign nations, and partly with the jealousy that followed upon the discovery that England is the most formidable rival of Germany in the race for world-power. The Chauvinistic press has recognised this tendency of popular feeling, and has given itself to the congenial task of fanning the smouldering elements of hostility into an open conflagration. The press, in fact, has been largely to blame in the production of the present lamentable state of affairs. It is safe to say that nothing but the fact that the Imperial Government has a certain amount of control over several organs in Berlin and Cologne has prevented a serious crisis in the relations of the two peoples.

A statement of this kind requires justification, and the justification is to hand in recent events. Mr. Chamberlain delivered a speech in Edinburgh towards the end of October. In the course of this speech he made an attempt to justify the employment of severe measures in South Africa by citing the precedents supplied by other nations. He referred particularly to the action of the French in Tonkin, to the treatment of the Poles by Russia, and finally to the manner in which Germany conducted the campaign of 1870-71. The eye of some curious German reader or readers noted this brief reference in a speech, the report of which filled more than a column, and the allusion to Germany was made the pretext for a revival of the anti-English agitation. The reference seems to have been misunderstood. Mr. Chamberlain probably did not mean to raise the question of the conduct of individual German soldiers. It is more likely that he wished to draw attention to a fact which is beyond dispute, namely, that the measures adopted by the German military authorities during the Franco-Prussian war, in dealing with train-wreckers, and with bands of irregular soldiery, actually exceeded in severity those adopted by Lord Kitchener in dealing with the Boers. However, the Germans in their eagerness to consider themselves insulted, chose to take Mr. Chamberlain's words in another sense, and a shout of indignation arose.

The protest was formally initiated by the professors and students of Greifswald, a small University in Pomerania. They held a meeting which was addressed by several members of the teaching staff, and a strongly-worded resolution was passed indignantly denouncing Mr. Chamberlain's comparison of the British Army in South Africa with the "glorious German army of 1870-71." The resolution was printed, and copies were forwarded to the students of all other Universities in Germany with a request that they should take similar action. The request met with an enthusiastic response. The students of the Berlin University assembled to the number of 2000, although the meeting did not receive the official approval of the rector, it was addressed by several professors, the most famous of them being Professor Adolph Wagner, the political economist. The descriptions of British methods of warfare in South Africa contained several instances of exaggeration, and one or two speakers repeated as facts some most obvious falsehoods that have been circulated by the German press. The students manifested very plainly their sympathy for the Boers and their detestation of the British. A good deal of the feeling shown was undoubtedly sincere, and granted the initial misunderstanding of Mr. Chamberlain's intentions and of the motives and methods of the British nation can hardly be wondered at or condemned.

This meeting was a type of many held by University students in different parts of Germany. Heated speeches were made, the honour of the German army was vindicated, and more or less veracious stories of British cruelty were recounted with intense bitterness. The meetings were industriously reported and the flame of indignation spread. The Pan-Germanic Association by means of its various subsidiary organisations instituted meetings, supplied speakers, and framed resolutions that demonstrated vividly the resources of the German vocabulary of denunciation. Even the clergy took a prominent part in the general protest, and a synod of Evangelical pastors at Munchen-Gladbach went so far as to embody in a resolution their belief in the fable that British soldiers attempt to shield themselves from the attack of Boer riflemen by placing Boer women and children in front of their ranks. The "Cologne Gazette" very properly rebuked this want of a judicial much less a Christian spirit on the part of the pastors.

The Press, with few exceptions, at first gave an ardent support to the whole movement. The semi-official "North German Gazette" did not condescend to refer to the subject. One or two liberal organs in Berlin suggested that the occasion hardly warranted so demonstrative a protest. The Socialist organ cynically criticised what it called the hypocrisy of the agitation. The other journals were practically unanimous in expressing approval.

As time went on it became evident that the authorities were growing alarmed. The German Government has strong reasons for wishing to maintain friendly relations with Great Britain. It is willing to allow a certain measure of freedom in the expression of popular opinion, but it certainly has no desire that popular agitations should assume such proportions as to become a disturbing element in its own foreign policy. It was probably therefore upon a hint from the Government that several leading journals simultaneously published articles in which it was urged that the agitation had served its purpose, and that there was no need for its continuance. The suggestion, apparently, has had little effect, and meetings are still being held and speeches delivered with no trace of diminished enthusiasm.

In the meantime affairs have assumed a new phase. Mr. Chamberlain has been induced by two different gentlemen to offer an explanation of the offending sentence. Through his secretary he has stated that "when, in order to justify the severer measures to be adopted by us in the Boer war, he made reference to the action of other nations, he did not mean that that severity, authenticated by the official histories, went beyond what was just and necessary. But what is just and proper for other nations cannot be inhuman on the part of Great Britain." This attempt at explanation has had one astonishing result. It has caused the semi-official "North German Gazette" to depart from its policy of reticence and to declare its view of the situation. After referring to Mr. Chamberlain's "inconsiderate and offensive utterances," the journal continues: "We cannot endorse the demand made at various meetings that in the interests of the German army official steps should be taken against the unofficial utterances of a foreign Minister. The reputation which the German army enjoys throughout the civilised world in consequence of its discipline, its humanity, and its courage is much too firmly established to be affected by wrong and improper comparisons." That an organ of the Government has been compelled to speak in such a tone is a testimony to the strength of the agitation and to the gravity of the present crisis.

It is difficult to predict the final outcome. On the one hand it is possible that this may be nothing more than a distinctly marked epoch in the gradual estrangement of the two nations. On the other hand it is equally conceivable that persistent pressure on the part of the people may force the German Government into an attitude of hostility to Great Britain which may involve serious consequences. Some features of the agitation against Mr. Chamberlain may be ludicrous, but there is every reason for the British nation to be exceedingly considerate of the susceptibilities of foreign nations at the present juncture. A formal alliance with Germany would not be to our advantage; but we shall be wise to avoid every action that would be at all likely to increase her hostility.

ANGLICAN MISSION IN NEW GUINEA.

INTERVIEW WITH BISHOP STONE WIGG.

ENTHUSIASTIC MISSIONARIES.

A DESCRIPTION OF THE WORK.

Bishop Stone Wigg, who, since he was consecrated at St. Andrew's Cathedral, Sydney, in 1898, has held the onerous position of head of the Anglican Mission in New Guinea, is at present passing through this city en route for England. He arrived yesterday by the mail train from Brisbane, and shortly afterwards was seen by a "Herald" reporter. Dr. Stone Wigg, in answer to an inquiry as to whether his health had been in any way impaired by the trying climate of Papualand, said that during the last three months he had been very unwell. He had taken a very rough trip in the Mamba and Kumusi River districts, much of which can only be described as sago swamps. He had also been stranded on the Ope River bar, and was, with his companions, amidst a hostile tribe, and with practically no food supplies. "However," he added, cheerily, "We all got over that, and although hungry and worn out after 15 or 16 miles of as heavy marching as the mind of man could wish for, we at last struck a miners' camp, where we received every possible attention."

THE WORK OF THE MISSION STATIONS.

Speaking in reference to the mission work, the Bishop said it was going on satisfactorily generally. The Anglican missionaries have 300 miles of the north-east coast allotted to their spiritual charge—that is, so far as concerns the aborigines—but with regard to the white inhabitants of New Guinea their work is confined to no particular district. Already they have covered 150 miles of this extensive coastline with mission stations, and there is also one placed at the extreme of their district adjoining the German territory. The main object in establishing this post so far from its nearest neighbour was that there were a large number of diggers there, and that was a point where the Government had most trouble with the wild and cannibal tribes, and it was at the special request of the Government that the station was established there. The result had been very encouraging.

CANNIBALISM RAMPANT.

"Is cannibalism still common in your district?" asked the reporter.

"Oh, there has been a great deal of trouble with the natives on the other side, and indeed there has been a cannibal feast within the last six months; but where the missions are they have created a conscience amongst the tribes in their immediate neighbourhood, and although some may still indulge in this horrid custom they are no longer proud of it, but when spoken to hang their heads in genuine shame."

"But it still goes on?"

"Oh, yes; and further away, where the missionaries have not as yet reached, I believe 'head-hunting,' and that nearly always means cannibalism, goes on even more than ever."

THE MISSIONARIES' OBJECTIVE.

"Do you propose soon to penetrate further into the interior?"

"Well, our station on the Mamba River is 40 miles from the coast, and I am hopeful at an early date of planting a station about 60 or 70 miles up the Kumusi. There is an immense native population there, and it is the highway to the Yodda, which is the best alluvial goldfield in New Guinea."

"Are there many diggers working on it?"

"About 200 on the Yodda, and about 100 on the Gira field, which you reach from Mombi."

PUPIL TEACHERS AND EVANGELISTS.

Continuing, the Bishop said his staff consisted of 20 white missionaries, who were distributed over the whole length of the 150 miles of coast line, which is already dotted with mission stations. In addition there are nine South Sea Islanders and over 20 New Guinea natives who are employed as pupil teachers or evangelists, and some as both. They are extremely helpful. Many of them are particularly apt at learning, and the better educated of them find compound long division sums to be very simple problems. Amongst the less educated there are many earnest converts who spend the whole of their Sundays travelling from village to village preaching the Gospel in their own simple but eloquent way, which, the Bishop added, "I really believe is more effective than ours, for they give it the benefit of the natural ring and emphasis that a white man rarely masters." Thus a large tract of country is covered by these evangelists week by week, and the result is that the stations' influence is being steadily extended. Meanwhile the pupil teachers are carrying on their classes, and only recently at one station 80 converts, mainly adults, came in and applied for admission to the pupil teachers' classes. In reply to a further question in this connection, Dr. Stone Wigg said he had learned the Wedau dialect, which he and most regard as very difficult of acquirement, although as nine months out of the year he was away from the principal station where it is spoken, viz., Battle Bay, he had few opportunities of improving his knowledge of it. However, they have there a printing press and founts of type, which are under the care of a white printer, who has two native boys as his assistants. These boys are quite experts at type-setting, and take an absorbingly enthusiastic interest in their work. Of course the "copy" is written in the Wedau language. Already the Books of Genesis and Exodus, St. Luke, the Psalms, hymns, and the Book of Common Prayer have been translated into that tongue."

THE WORK AND ITS FUTURE.

With reference to the visit he is now about to pay the old country, Dr. Stone Wigg explained that when he assumed the position of bishop it was under a five years' guarantee, which would run out at the end of this year. His object in going to England was to secure a modest provision in perpetuity for the Bishop of that diocese, so that if anything happened to him there would be no interregnum which might throw the work into confusion through any failure to appoint a bishop. He expects to be absent about 12 months, but he remarked, "I would infinitely prefer to spend that time at my work in New Guinea, for, despite all its trials, troubles, and dangers, life in New Guinea is very attractive."

Continuing, the Bishop said: "We are going to get two thoroughly trained nurses at the Mombi station; the head nurse was trained in Guy's Hospital. They will prove a blessing indeed to the natives, and especially to the white men, who if they get sick, as many do, have no skilled attendance, and practically lie down and die after horrible suffering.'

A LAND OF PLENTY.

"What is the country like on your side of New Guinea?"

"The land up in the river districts is rich passing description. There are enormous tracts of country there which will grow anything—sugar, rice, rubber, sago, and, indeed, I don't know what. I have been told that some of the native sugarcane was brought to Queensland sometime ago, and proved to be one of the best stocks used on the plantation, but I have not been able to verify that statement."

NEW GUINEA'S EXPORTS.

"Has any sago or rubber been exported?"

"I don't think any sago has, but a great deal of it is made and used by the natives. In fact, there are really no exports at all; and I think this is largely due to the fact that the Australian colonies, who had the control of British New Guinea (I mean before the Commonwealth), although willing to pay some £20,000 per annum, did not care to see large tracts of country in New Guinea taken up. I think it was a great mistake to be so afraid that someone would 'make a good thing' out of the country, for there there is land enough and to spare. Small blocks for growing rubber or cocoanut trees would be useless, for the trees do not mature for some four or five years. The export of rubber, if you can dignify it by the title of 'export,' is smaller now than it was four or five years ago, and it is just the same with the beche-de-mer and the pearl fishing."

TRADES AND LABOUR.

TRAMWAY EMPLOYEES' UNION.

The annual meeting of the Tramway Employees' Union was held last evening in the Trades' Hall, Mr. M'Leay (president) in the chair. Those present represented No. 1 shift.

The following officers were declared elected:—President, Mr. D. M'Leay; vice-presidents—Messrs. T. E. Burke, A. G. Paull, and J. M'Carthy; general treasurer, Mr. M. Kelly. Committee of management: Ultimo—Messrs. A. J. Byron, R. Byrnes, A. C. Dibden, E. Kendrigan, M. Kavanagh, and M. Slattery; Bridge-street—Messrs. J. Douglas Thomas Dickson, J. M'Grath, W. Morrison, and Percy Wynne; Locomotive Department—Messrs. Charles Brown, E. King, G. Ready, and W. Spearing; Newtown—Messrs. E. Brogan, W. G. Harding, A. E. Head, B. J. Hook, J. P. Kavanagh, H. Lawton, K. D. Mackie, C. W. Pitt, and R. S. Wilson; North Sydney—Messrs. H. Buckingham, C. Hawke, and C. H. Robertson; electricians' staff—Mr. E. Juleff; signalmen—Mr. J. Higginson; Ocean-street—Messrs. J. J. Croker and J. C. Pepper.

The report and balance-sheet were submitted, but the general business will not be available for publication until passed by No. 2 shift, which meets to-night.

AUSTRALIAN SYMPATHY WITH AMERICA.

Mr. Orlando H. Baker, the United States Consul, has received the following communication from the Department of State, Washington:—"I have to request that on receipt of your despatch, numbered 30, of the 2nd ultimo, transmitting numerous resolutions, letters of condolence, and an ode on the lamentable death of President M'Kinley, and informing the department of the general feeling of sympathy manifested at this time. Amongst the many messages of sympathy with the American nation Mrs. M'Kinley received on this occasion there are none more touching than this universal expression of esteem from New South Wales. On behalf of the United States Government and Mrs. M'Kinley you will please suitably acknowledge these compassionate messages with assurances of deep appreciation."

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DISASTROUS FIRE AT LEICHHARDT.

A CLOTHING FACTORY DESTROYED.

THE LOSS ESTIMATED AT £20,000.

A disastrous fire occurred at Leichhardt yesterday morning, by which the premises occupied by Messrs. Wallace and Co., clothing and boot manufacturers, in Marion-street, were destroyed. The flames were first noticed by a resident of the district, who telephoned to the Leichhardt Volunteer Fire Station. The alarm was received at 4.18 a.m., and in a few minutes a detachment of men was on the scene. On the arrival of the firemen it was found that the premises were well alight. They immediately ran a hose in Marion-street, and set to work in a line between the building which was on fire and the premises at the rear used as a bulk store and a dining-room for the employees, Detachments from Marrickville, Newtown, George-street West, Balmain, and volunteers from Glebe and Drummoyne were quickly on the scene. District Superintendent Lang conducted the operations until the detachment from headquarters arrived with Superintendent Webb. It was soon found that the water supply was inadequate, and although Superintendent Webb had four steamers in attendance, he was only enabled to utilise two. This is accounted for by the fact that in Marion-street there is only a 4in. main. The fire quickly spread in the main building, despite the efforts of the firemen. The Marrickville Brigade got a steamer to work in Marion-street, and the Leichhardt men proceeded to the rear of the premises and poured a stream of water on the flames from Marlborough-street. A private dwelling situated near the burning building was in imminent danger, and the firemen had great difficulty in preventing the flames from spreading to it. The Newtown engine went round to Marion-street to supplement the water in the main, and the George-street West engine was sent to Marlborough-street for the same purpose, but it was found to be impossible to extinguish the flames, and the firemen concentrated their efforts in attempting to prevent the flames from spreading to the cottages round about.

The flames burnt fiercely, and at 4.45 it was recognised that there was no possibility of saving the building, and half an hour later the fire had practically burnt itself out.

At one time there was a danger of the fire spreading to the bulk stores on the western side and a cottage on the eastern side, but this was happily prevented. The cottage was occupied by Mr. Hoskin, and the occupants were compelled to leave in a hurry, carrying what belongings they could with them.

The building, which contained a large quantity of the most up-to-date machinery for the manufacture of clothing and boots, was totally destroyed, as well as a quantity of manufactured goods. A cottage adjoining No. 51 Marion-street, occupied by Mr. G. Hoskin, and owned by Mr. Blenzies, of Canterbury, was slightly damaged by heat and the falling walls. The roof of the shed, situated at No. 56 Marlborough-street, and occupied by Mr. James Andrews, and a shed at the rear of No. 58 Marlborough-street, were also damaged by fire and the falling walls.

During the fire some of the firemen had narrow escapes. Several were standing on a shed close to the burning factory when the gable-end of the building fell, and the men were compelled to jump from the roof, and run for their lives. All escaped without injury.

The flames could be seen for miles around, and attracted a large number of people. Superintendent Webb stated that when he was near the University he saw the flames burst through the roof. Sub-inspector Strachan, of Petersham, was in attendance with a detachment of men, and rendered great assistance to the firemen by keeping the crowd at a reasonable distance.

The premises and their contents were insured in the South British Insurance Company for £14,000.

INTERVIEW WITH MR. L. WALLACE.

Mr. L. Wallace, the representative of the firm, when seen yesterday morning, said that the loss would be a very heavy one, amounting probably to £20,000. The building, he said, contained a large quantity of the latest American machinery for the manufacture of boots, and also the most up-to-date machinery for the manufacture of clothing. The factory was gutted, and he thought that there would be very little salvage. He was unable to say exactly what the loss would amount to, as the stock was continually being transferred from the factory to the warehouse in York-street. They would, therefore, have to go through their books to find out what clothing and boots were in course of manufacture. It had been the practice to keep the more valuable goods at the warehouse, but notwithstanding that there was always a certain quantity of goods being manufactured, and these had been destroyed. It was therefore a difficult matter to get at the exact loss, but he thought the amount he had named would be the nearest estimate he could make. The most serious loss to the firm will be the destruction of so many of the firm's special patterns, which it is considered will be very hard to replace.

Mr. Wallace pointed out that the loss would actually be heavier than it looked at present, as owing to the tariff they would not be able to purchase the machinery at anything like the price it was two or three years ago. The duty alone, he thought, would amount to between £4000 and £5000. The cost of building had also increased, and in that respect there would be a heavy loss.

Mr. Wallace was unable to account for the fire, for he said they were very careful at the factory. At closing time every evening the manager, in company with one of the employees, made an inspection of the building, and on Tuesday evening the premises were found to be all right, and were locked up. The practice was to leave the keys at the local police station until one of the employees called for them in the morning to open the factory.

There were, continued Mr. Wallace, between 400 and 500 persons employed at the factory, and most of these will be thrown out of employment. It is the intention of the firm, however, to secure temporary premises and commence work during the next fortnight, when as many hands as possible will be taken on, and the remainder will be engaged at the earliest possible moment.

Mr. Wallace said that the fire, occurring as it did, would not inconvenience the firm to the extent it would had it occurred within the past three months, for those were the busiest months in the year.

AMONGST THE RUINS.

A SCENE OF DESOLATION.

During the day the scene of the fire was visited by a very large number of people, amongst whom were many of the employees of the firm, who were thus suddenly thrown out of employment. Viewing the ruins from Marion-street, one could see that what was the day before one of the principal factories of the district was a smouldering mass of debris surrounded by broken walls. The damage done was of a very extensive character. Everything appeared to have been destroyed. The building itself was erected of brick, was two stories in height, and had a frontage of about 65ft. to Marion-street, with a depth of over 140ft. facing Marlborough-street. An examination showed that the whole of the contents, except some machinery, was burnt out. On the western side of the building the bulk store and employees' dining-room were situated, and were connected with the main building by a bridge from the second story. These escaped the flames. The whole block which formerly comprised the main building presented a scene of ruin and desolation. A great part of the brick walls was left standing. Here and there large holes were rent in the structure by falling masses of brick and mortar, while at other places large portions of the walls were pulled down by the brigades, as they were considered dangerous. The roof and the second floor are completely gone, and what remains of the machinery lies in a confused heap. For some time after the flames had been subdued several of the firemen were kept at work extinguishing small outbreaks which here and there burst out amongst the ruins. The bridge connecting the main building with the bulk store was also considerably damaged.

FERRY EMPLOYEES' DIFFICULTY.

MEETING OF THE EMPLOYEES' UNION.

A meeting of the Firemen's and Deck Hands' Union was held last night to consider the letter received on the preceding day from the Ferry Owners' Association with regard to the rates of wages of deck hands. A copy of the letter was published in yesterday's "Herald." The proceedings were held in private, but at the close it was stated that a resolution had been carried which would have to be confirmed or otherwise by another set of members of the union. It was explained that those who attended last night were off duty, and that many members were still on duty who would have to be consulted before anything could be made public. This section of the members will probably meet some time to-day. The members were very reticent as to the nature of the resolution carried, but it is understood that the men agreed to accept the rate of pay offered them, subject to the right to have the whole matter reopened when the Industrial Arbitration Court is constituted. In other words, the deck hands will accept for the present 40s per fortnight, instead of 50s as asked, but as soon as they are able to invoke the aid of the Arbitration Court they will do so, and will then submit their demands, which may include other things beside the mere question of pay.

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WHARF LABOURERS AND THEIR EMPLOYERS.

DEMAND FOR HIGHER WAGES.

AN ABORTIVE CONFERENCE.

PROBABLE APPEAL TO THE ARBITRATION COURT.

Anyone visiting Circular Quay yesterday would note two striking incidents. First, that there was no work being carried out in the direction of loading or unloading the steamers and sailing ships lining the wharfs; and second, a large gathering of wharf labourers with the wives and children in a merry mood, and intent upon boarding the steamers drawn up at No. 3 jetty. The explanation was that the Wharf Labourers' Union was holding its annual picnic at Clontarf, and an honorable decree had been issued that no member of the union was to work that day, as it was desired to ensure a successful demonstration at Clontarf, and to prove to the public that as members of a union the wharf labourers were loyal to their officers. The order was obeyed, and the extent of the union could be judged from the fact that nearly every vessel in Port Jackson was idle yesterday so far as loading or unloading operations were concerned.

Judging from the merry crowd of men, women, and children who were going to the picnic one would hardly dream that there was anything like a labour trouble in front of the members of the union. Such, however, is the case. The trouble has not yet reached an acute stage, and it is sincerely to be hoped it never will. To-day will decide that point.

THE CONFERENCE.

The difficulty has arisen over a demand by the Wharf Labourers' Union for an increase in wages from 1s to 1s 3d per hour to men employed in loading deep-sea vessels, as well as to those engaged in performing similar work on coastal and inter-state vessels. A demand for the increased wage was sent by the union to the representatives of the deep-sea and inter-state interests, and on Monday a conference was held between delegates from the Stevedores' Association controlling the deep-sea trade and delegates from the Wharf Labourers' Union.

The conference took place at the rooms of the association, in Pitt-street, and was presided over by Mr. R. Hilliard, of Dalgety and Co. The representatives of the Wharf Labourers' Union, of whom the secretary, Mr. Hughes, M.P., was one, demanded an increase of 3d per hour for the members of their union working on deep-sea vessels and stated the grounds why the request was made. The representatives of the Stevedores' Association were prepared to give the increase to the men working on board vessels, but not to those working on the wharf, and they stated the reasons why they could not go as far as they were asked to go.

The representatives of the Wharf Labourers' Union declined to accept the compromise, and the conference was adjourned. At a meeting of the union held in the evening at St. Philip's School Hall the decision of the delegates was approved. In like manner the Stevedores' Association met on Tuesday, and it was decided to abide by the result of the conference.

THE CASE FROM THE MEN'S POINT OF VIEW.

Seeing that between 80 and 90 per cent. of the members of the Wharf Labourers' Union would be gathered at the annual picnic of the union at Clontarf, it afforded an excellent opportunity to make inquiries with reference to the views of the men on the question of the amount of wages they earn on an average, and also to get some idea of the position of affairs at the present moment.

Notwithstanding he multifarious duties as secretary and general organiser of the picnic Mr. Hughes, M.P., found time to explain to a "Herald" representative the position of affairs from the men's point of view. "In view of the increased cost of living," said Mr. Hughes, "entailed by the federal tariff, the Wharf Labourers' Union found itself compelled to ask for an increase in the wages from 1s to 1s 3d per hour, and a notification to that effect was sent by the union to the Stevedores' Association representing the deep-sea trade on the one hand, and to the inter-state and coastal trade shipping firms on the other. As the result of certain correspondence, a conference was held on Monday between representatives of the deep-sea trade and the union."

"The conference," continued Mr. Hughes, "was presided over by Mr. R. Hilliard, and he made a proposition to the effect that the Stevedores' Association would pay is 3d an hour to the men working on the ship, and 1s to those working on the wharf. There was also another suggestion by Mr. Keane, one of the delegates from the Stevedores' Association, that is 3d per hour should be paid to all hands, whether on the ship or the wharf, provided they worked between the hours of 6 a.m. and 6 p.m.

"The first proposition, the one by Mr. Hilliard, we had to reject, owing to it seeking to differentiate between the various classes of labour. With regard to Mr. Keane's suggestion, we were prepared to accept it, provided an arrangement could be made to retain the eight hours per day system. Mr. Keane's proposition would mean nothing more than eight hours for a day's labour, so it was not entertained, and the conference was adjourned without anything being done.

"The matter was brought up before the Wharf Labourers' Union on the same evening, and the action of the delegates was unanimously endorsed. The delegates were further instructed that in the conference which takes place to-morrow with the representatives of the inter-state and coastal companies no similar propositions from the Stevedores' Association will be entertained."

THE QUESTION OF ARBITRATION.

"At the conference last Monday," observed Mr. Hughes, "Mr. Hilliard put it forward as a kind of threat that if we did not accept his proposition the Stevedores' Association proposed to become registered under the Industrial Arbitration Act and to bring the matter before the Court. The delegates of the Wharf Labourers' Union stated they had no objection whatever to go before the Court, because they were satisfied with the justness of their demand.

"They said further that the Court was bound under the Act to give a decision according to the common rule of the trade or calling, and since the cost of living here has under the federal tariff been raised to that in Melbourne, where the wharf labourers working on board vessels receive is 3d an hour, it followed that the Court must under the 'common rule' section award is 3d per hour to the men working on board vessels here. We therefore lose nothing by rejecting Mr. Hilliard's offer of

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.—January 8.

Mioweru, R.M.S., 3326 tons, Captain T. A. Hemming, from Vancouver, via ports. Passengers—Misses M'Farlane (3), Mr. M'Arthur (2), Berry, Mesdames Suits, Hardy, M'Farlane, M'Arthur and two children, Crowley, Black (2), Rutland, Walton, Rose and child, Mann, Messrs. Brown, Waugh, Berry, Hardy, Suits, Brodbelt, Dobson, Pinkers, Wilkinson, Ware, Gibbins, Ford, Rev. M'Arthur, Pearson, Palmer, Darling, Kerom, M'Arthur (3), Murray, Watts, Crosier, Black (3), Moore, Brown, Waters, Thomas, Retland, Walton, Brown, Picker, Perl, Cameron, Bosch, Mann, Mealing, Toogood, Archer, M'Craig, and 12 in the steerage. F. W. Jackson, agent.

Oonah, s., 1737 tons, Captain J. Gibb, from Hobart. Passengers—Mesdames Roberts, Mellerick, Moir, Way, Johnstone, Nixon, O'Neill, Hill, Rorke, Martyn, Harrison, Reddish, Misses Moir, O'Brien, Underwood, Fitzpatrick, Miller, Morley, Goulding, La Geyse, Robinson, Cochrane (2), Collins (2), Black, M'Cally (2), Hill, O'Neill (3), Halbert, Cann, Brenner, Johnstone (2), Crawfield, Rogers, Schmeider, Cornwell, Macintosh, Fisher, Russie, Laird, Cole, O'Donnell, Messrs. J. Roberts, Mellicott, Rule, Moir, Summer, Hallet, Alyward, A. Hay, Forsee-Angus, E. F. Way, R. J. Higgins, A. W. Nixon, A. E. Cole, P. H. Hudson, B. Heanhcott, Dr. M'Leod, C. A. Purdie, W. B. Fairfax, Harrison, J. Hayes, J. Reddish, T. R. Rowlands, F. W. Atkins, H. W. Atkins, S. Atkins, A. Atkins, J. W. Woodburn, T. A. Braye, Moore (3), Sullivan, Brooks, and 16 in the steerage. F. W. Jackson, agent.

Paroo, s., 2695 tons, Captain J. B. S. Bidder, from Fremantle, via ports. Passengers—Mesdames Thompson and child, Walsh, Henwood, Bullock, Davis, Lynch and child, Archer, Graham, Misses Hicks, Johnstone, Bartels, Buenzeroch, Rooney, Connolly, Madigan, E. Taylor, Linton, Moloney, Messrs. D. Renwick, Kenyon, E. F. Pym, F. Smith, Roseburgh, Carter, Wilkinson, S. Davis, C. G. Perrin, J. Eddy, P. Jones, Gamble, P. Allen, A. Fox, Henry (2), Molloy, R. Webb, J. T. Fortune, E. M'Mahon, Edquist, W. Heath, Henwood, Bullock, Revs. Callaghan, Rees, Maloney, Donaghue, and 40 steerage. Burns, Philp, and Co., Limited, agents.

Westralia, s., 3000 tons, Captain W. Waller, from New Zealand ports, via Cook's Strait. Passengers—Misses Trumbell, Watkins, Buchanan, Bowen, Grimshaw, Albert, Foster, Mesdames Barlow and child, Proctor, Davis, King, Bock, Armstrong, Sutherland, Rudd and child, Messrs. Early, Buchanan, Frieblander (2), Fell, Sutherland, Gresham, M'Ginnisley, Thorburn, Gabriell, Manchester, Porter, Webb, Hilliard, Proctor, Davis, Ledger, Speed, King, Kirkcaldie, Baring, Prater, Gill, Austin, Rudd, Callaghan, Captain Eckford, and 30 in the steerage. Huddart, Parker, and Co., Limited, agents.

Adelaide, s., 1711 tons, Captain D. P. Davies, from Brisbane. Passengers—Mr. and Mrs. M. A. S. Browne, Mr. W. Jones, Mr. W. J. Wiley, Mr. and Mrs. Hawkins, Mr. and Mrs. J. Qreush, Mrs. J. J. Cormack, Mrs. J. Webster, Mrs. and Mrs. C. H. M'Oonald, Miss Llewellyn, Miss Flower, Mr. F. J. Dowd, Mr. A. S. Barrett, Mr. J. S. Reyden, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Hillyard, Mr. Thomas, Mr. M. Muir, Mr. R. W. Stainer, Mr. L. F. Schoombleman, Mr. Dowling, Mr. and Mrs. Crosier, Miss Chalmer, Masters Croaker (3), Frank Brown, Mr. Davys, Master Davys, Miss Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Ajax and child, Mrs. Hughes, Mr. Percy, Dr. A. M. Mackay, Mr. Percy, Mr. R. Crease, and 90 in the steerage. G. S. Yuill and Co., Limited, agents.

Warrego, s., 1551 tons, Captain George King, from Queensland ports. Passengers—Mesdames Hill and F. Davies, Misses Parker and Briggensham, Messrs. A. Mackenzie, Rushidge, and 11 in the steerage. Through passengers—Professor and Mrs. Anderson and two children, and six in the steerage. G. S. Yuill and Co., Limited, agents.

Namoi, s., 1414 tons, Captain H. Warne, from Newcastle. Newcastle and Hunter River S.S. Company, Limited, agents.

Wootton, s., 151 tons, Captain E. B. Read, from Camden Haven.

Senorita, barquentine, Captain Farrell, from Kennedy's Bay. R. S. Lamb and Co., agents.

Alexander Gibson, American ship, 2613 tons, Captain Dunbar, from Newcastle. Orient Line, agents.

Tanglin, s., 1999 tons, Captain Neuhaus, from Kerguelen Island. Weber, Lohmann, and Co., Limited, agents.

Richmond, s., 2122 tons, Captain Nicolle, from Java. Colonial Sugar Refining Company, Limited, agents.

Rosburn, s., 5183 tons, Captain Heesing, from Durban. Boulder Brothers, agents.

Augusta, s., from Tweed River. L. Tulloch, agent.

DEPARTURES.—January 8.

Maranoa, s., for Auckland and ports.

Darius, s., for Singapore.

Westralia, s., for Newcastle.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.—January 9.

Oceana, s., for Marshall Islands; Oonah, s., for Hobart; Tambo, s., for Hobart; Newcastle, s., for Newcastle; Murray, s., for Moruya, Bermagui, and Tathra; Looganna, barque, for Butaritari.

CLEARANCES.—January 8.

Maranoa, s., 2468 tons, Captain R. E. Smith, for Auckland and ports. Passengers—Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Chandler, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. M'Nichol, Mr. and Mrs. Robson, Mr. and Mrs. Lyons, Mr. and Mrs. Webster, Mr. and Mrs. Main, Mr. and Mrs. Webster, Mr. and Mrs. Bills, Mr. and Mrs. Kelsey, Captain and Mrs. Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. Davidson and child, Mesdames Lilley, Pett, Wedgwood

COMMONWEALTH NOTES.

MR. BARTON'S VISIT TO MAITLAND.

The Federal Premier (Mr. Edmund Barton) and the Home Secretary (Sir William Lyne) will leave for West Maitland by train this morning. Mr. Barton will address his constituents this evening on federal political matters, and will make special reference to the tariff. Both Ministers return to Sydney on Friday morning. Mr. Barton intends leaving Sydney for Melbourne on Sunday night.

WEST MAITLAND, Wednesday.

A meeting of the Barton reception committee was held to-night, when arrangements for the meeting to-morrow evening were completed. Mr. Barton and party will arrive by the midday train, and will drive to the hotel, where the Federal Premier will be formally welcomed by the committee. There will be no demonstration.

PUBLIC WORKS APPROVED.

The following public works have been approved by the Minister for Home Affairs :—

New South Wales.—Postal Department: Goulburn Post-office, posting-shoot; Singleton Post-office, repairs; Broken Hill Post-office, repairs; Newtown Post-office, sewerage works; Sydney General Post Office, repairs; Rylstone Post-office, repairs, renovations, and additions; Clarence Town Post-office, repairs, alterations; Carcoar Post-office repairs; Merrawa Post-office, repairs; Cargo Post-office, sanitary repairs; Boolgal Post-office, sanitary repairs; Waverley Post-office, repairs, water service; William-street (Sydney) Post-office, repairs, &c.

Victoria.—Postal Department: G.P.O., Melbourne, shelving, blinds, &c.; Rosedale Post-office, repairs. Defence Department: Albert Park Orderly-room, additions and repairs.

THE NEW HEBRIDES.

The Premier received the following cablegram from the Secretary of State for the Colonies yesterday :—"Re your telegram of January 6—New Hebrides—the position remains as stated in my telegram of March 26 last year." Mr. Chamberlain on the date last named assured the Commonwealth Government that no such proposal as was then referred to, viz., the surrender of British interests in the islands, was contemplated.

POSTAL AND TELEGRAPHIC MATTERS.

THE MAIL SERVICES.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

The Postmaster-General intends to lay Messrs. Burns, Philp, and Co.'s letter, in connection with the Oceanic Steamship Company and the American and English mails, before the Cabinet as soon as an opportunity presents itself. Senator Drake states that the English mail contracts have still about three and a half years to run; but he thinks it would be well for the Ministry to obtain all the information it can upon the subject in order that it may have some policy to suggest to the Imperial Postmaster-General—who alone makes such contracts—when the proper time arrives. When the new agreements are made effect will have to be given to those provisions of the Post and Telegraph Act, which state that the Australian mails must only be forwarded by ships manned by white labour.

The Queensland tradespeople can have parcels delivered by officers of the Postal Department for ordinary charges and a small commission, and officers secure payment for the articles contained in them before handing them over to the consignees. The money thus obtained is then remitted to the shopkeepers concerned by the postal authorities. This is known as the "value payable parcel post system," which has, the Postmaster-General states, proved a great success in Queensland. Senator Drake intends to extend the system to all the other States as soon as he can get his regulations under the Post and Telegraph Act passed by the Governor-General in Council.

The Postmaster-General also proposes to establish an express messenger service in all the States. By this means anybody can by placing stamps to the value of, perhaps, 4d upon a letter, and marking it "express," have it delivered by special messenger in the same way as a telegram is delivered immediately the mail containing it arrives at the place to which it is addressed. The service has proved most popular on the Continent.

THE POSTAL SAVINGS BANKS.

The Postmaster-General (Senator Drake) has not yet arrived at any understanding with the various States as to the terms on which his department will carry on postal savings bank business.

SUGGESTED PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

At the recent conference of Premiers exception was taken by the Premiers to the proposal of the Minister for Home Affairs to create a Federal Public Works Department. It was pointed out that if the Commonwealth did form such a department the States would have to pay for it. Sir William Lyne contended that the proposed new office was required, but the position was aptly illustrated by one of the Premiers, who pointed out that an officer of the Federal Department might be inspecting a Ballarat post-office, while a State officer might be overhauling the court-house at precisely the same moment. Thus it was argued there would be quite a needless waste of public money, because one officer could attend to both matters. The Minister for Home Affairs did not admit the force of the contention at the time, but the manifest objection by the public to the creation of unnecessary and expensive offices and the welcome given the economical policy of the Treasurer in the working of his department has, it is said, convinced Sir William Lyne that he must cut down his estimates in this connection by at least a half, and ask the States Public Works Department to attend to all federal public works as they are doing at present. Seeing that if the States were paid for this service the transaction would only remove itself into one of cross entries it is thought that no charge should be made. Probably an inspector of works will be appointed in each capital to supervise all federal works.

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE REVENUE.

The Federal Treasurer has had a statement prepared showing the net customs and excise revenue collected in the several States for November and December and the collections made under the different State tariffs for the same two months of 1899-1900 and 1900-1901. Sir George Turner also divided his estimate of the amount he expected to receive from each State from March to June by 9, and thus obtained the mean of his anticipated collections. The statement shows the following totals :—

New South Wales.—November, 1899-1900, £143,271; and 1900-1901, £155,137; December, 1899-1900, £157,892, and 1900-1901, £170,723. The estimate was £202,000, and the actual receipts for November were £254,991, and for December £234,277.

Victoria.—November, 1899-1900, £200,546, and 1900-1901, £202,484; December, 1899-1900, £206,179, and 1900-1901, £204,830. The estimate was £191,000, and the actual receipts for November were £212,640, and for December £160,132.

Queensland.—November, 1899-1900, £135,362, and 1900-1901, £135,280. December, 1899-1900, £135,907, and 1900-1901, £121,517. The estimate was £117,000, and the actual receipts for November were £102,365, and for December, £94,446.

South Australia.—November, 1899-1900, £58,058, and 1900-1901, £45,240; December, 1899-1900, £56,673, and 1900-1901, £47,964. The estimate was £54,000, and the actual receipts for November were £48,892, and for December, £49,350.

Western Australia. — November, 1899-1900, £80,701, and 1900-1901, £80,648; December, 1899-1900, £77,341, and 1900-1901, £93,146. The estimate was for £57,000, and the actual receipts for November were £115,188, and December, £107,567.

Tasmania.—November, 1899-1900, £57,061, and 1900-1901, £38,928; December, 1899-1900, £41,507, and 1900-1901, £45,048. The estimate was £29,000, and the actual receipts for November were £29,290, and for December, £26,361.

The Commonwealth totals come out as follows :—November, 1899-1900, £654,999, and 1900-1901, £658,731; December, 1899-1900, £677,499, and 1900-1901, £680,228. The Treasurer's estimate was £652,000. The actual revenue for November was £760,366, and for December, £672,133.

THE KANAKA QUESTION.

MR. PHILP IN THE NORTH OF QUEENSLAND.

BRISBANE, Wednesday.

Speaking at Ingham to-day the Premier, who is at present on a short tour in the north, said his present visit had convinced him that black labour was necessary for the sugarfield work in the north of Queensland. If the north was to develop its resources it must have alien labour. The more kanakas there were employed the more opening there was for white men. It was simply a question of whether sugar was to be grown by kanakas or not grown at all. He was firmly convinced that the experience of Mr. Barton would be the same as that of Sir Samuel Griffith, who tried to do without kanakas, and afterwards he found he had made a mistake. At Geraldton yesterday he had been approached for money for central mills on the Johnstone and Russell rivers. He had consented to lend the money if Mr. Barton undertook to guarantee the repayment of the sum, and he had wired to him to that effect. Mr. Barton now had an opportunity to put his ideas to a practical test. If the owners of the sugar lands could do without coloured labour they would gladly do so. In course of time labour-saving machinery might take the place of kanakas, but at present it was impossible to grow sugar in the north of Queensland without that labour.

NATIONAL PROTECTION UNION.

SIR WILLIAM LYNE ENTERTAINED.

CONGRATULATORY SPEECHES.

The Home Secretary (Sir Wilham Lyne) was entertained at Tattersall's-chambers yesterday afternoon by members of the National Protection Union, of which body he is the president. Alderman Barlow was in the chair, and among others present were Messrs. Mann, W. J. Donnelly, J. M. Sanders, H. Ward, W. Richardson, Arkins, Price, V. R. Goschc, J. English, W. Martin, R. J. Mackey, A. W. Gilles, P. Lord, M'Lachlan, George Baldwin, W. M. Burns, C. Love, R. D. Meagher, M.L.A., and J. Jackson. Apologies were received from Hon. J. Tookey, M.L.C., Dr. Hay, Mr. Alexander Hay, and Mr. Alexander Martin.

The chairman proposed the health of Sir William Lyne, and after referring to the good qualities of the Home Secretary acknowledged his services in the advocacy of protection. He wished Sir William Lyne a happy and prosperous new year. Alderman Jackson (Mayor of Redfern) and Messrs. A. W. Gilles, Robert Mackey, V. R. Goschc, and W. Martin also spoke to the toast and eulogised their guest.

Sir William Lyne expressed his pleasure at meeting so many members of the executive and friends. He briefly traced the history of the National Protection Union, and paid a tribute to the worth of a departed friend—Sir William Macleay. Alluding to a remark that without revenue duties the Federal Government would have to fall back on direct taxation, he said he remembered how many so-called freetraders clamoured for Customs duties when Mr. Reid proposed direct taxation. He did not take so much credit to himself for his labours on behalf of protection as his friends gave him. He had no personal interests to serve, and he therefore had a free hand and an unprejudiced judgment. His politics had never been influenced by motives of personal gain. While he was at the head of the National Protection Union he had done his best to keep the association together. They had had a great obstacle to fight in the morning press. Freetraders and protectionists were about equally balanced in New South Wales, but the majority of protectionists were in the country. The protectionist cause would benefit very much by the advocacy of a morning paper. Referring to the tariff, he said it was not the ideal protectionist tariff that he would like to see; but as he said during his election campaign, the first tariff must be a kind of compromise. The outcry against the tariff was largely a manufactured one. At first the prices of goods in New South Wales were inordinately high, but at the present time they had fallen nearly to the level which existed before the introduction of the tariff and in some cases they were even lower. He had collected a large amount of information on the subject, and would use it at the proper time. Sir William Lyne concluded by heartily thanking the members of the National Protection Union for their reception.

Speeches were made by Messrs. C. E. J. Ludowici, Sparkes, and W. F. Schey.

The proceedings closed with the toast of "The Chairman," proposed by Sir William Lyne, and responded to by Alderman Barlow.

DEATH OF LADY FARMER.

On Monday a cable was received by the directors of Farmer and Co., Limited, Pitt-street, conveying the news of the death of Lady Farmer, wife of Sir William Farmer, who is chairman of the London board of directors of Farmer and Co., Limited. The sad event took place on December 22, but although the cable does not mention the fact there is no doubt that the late Lady Farmer spent her last days and died at Ascot-place, Ascot, Berkshire, England. Deceased had been very ill for some time, and in communicating to some of the members of the firm in Sydney Sir William Farmer had expressed his belief that the worst was near, so the news did not come wholly unexpected. In July and August Sir William took the deceased lady away to Scotland for the benefit of her health, but no permanent good resulted. They returned to Ascot on September 2 last, after which she gradually grew worse.

Lady Farmer will be remembered by many of her friends as a resident of Darling Point for some years, as in 1864 Sir William Farmer and his wife settled in that locality. After they returned to England, Cowarth Park, Sunningdale, Berkshire, was purchased as a family seat, but more especially as a health-recruiting ground. The place was afterwards disposed of to Mr. Andrew Carnegie, and Ascot Park was purchased.

During her residence in Sydney Lady Farmer was closely connected with several charitable institutions and her name was generally associated with any movement instituted for the relief of the poor and needy. As a member of the congregation of St. Mark's Church, Darling Point, of which Sir William was at one time churchwarden, Lady Farmer took an active interest in all local societies connected with the church, and her death will be deplored by her friends, as well as by those she had aided in the past. During yesterday Messrs. Farmer and Co. received many expressions of sympathy from residents of Sydney for transmission to the relatives of the deceased lady.

THE LATE MRS. WILKINSON.

The remains of the late Mrs. Elizabeth Sybil Wilkinson, wife of ex-Judge Wilkinson, were interred yesterday morning at the Waverley Cemetery. In connection with the funeral, Holy Communion was celebrated at St. John's, Bishopthorpe, at 8 a.m., and at 9.30 a short service, conducted by the Revs. S. S. Tovey and W. Robert Mounsey, was held. Amongst those present were Canon Pain, Canon Boyce, the Revs. W. J. Cakebread and W. A. Charlton, Mrs. E. F. Hayes, Miss Wilkinson, Miss L. Wilkinson, Messrs. Alexander Oliver, T. A. Dibbs, Dr. W. Camac Wilkinson, Messrs. Frederick Wilkinson, E. F. Hayes, J. H. Uther, R. F. Wilkinson, J. W. C. Wilkinson, T. V. Wilkinson, A. V. Wilkinson, G. Boyce Allen, R. C. Allen, A. W. Allen, L. F. Mann, F. W. Wood, H. D. Wood, W. Warner, F. H. Portus, and D. Fraser. Wreaths were sent by Lady Allen, Mrs. Boyce, Mrs. Alexander Oliver and family, Dr. W. Camac Wilkinson, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Wilkinson, the Misses Wilkinson, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Wilkinson, Mr. and Mrs. Hayes, Mrs. and the Misses Wilkinson, the Church, the Rev. and Mrs. W. J. Cakebread, Mrs. and the Misses J. B. Jones, Miss Hall, Mrs. Parry Long, Dr. and Mrs. Brady, Mr. George Osborne, Mr. and Mrs. Dowse, the Rev. and Mrs. S. S. Tovey, Friends at St. John's Rectory, and the Guild of St. Agnes (Christ Church). The service at the grave-side was conducted by the Rev. S. S. Tovey.

NEW INSPECTOR OF SCHOOLS.

MR. ARCHIBALD SMITH, B.A., APPOINTED.

Mr. Archibald Smith, B.A., headmaster of the Burwood Superior Public School, and a teacher who has borne the 1A. classification for several years, has been appointed an inspector of schools under the Department of Public Instruction. Inspector Smith has gained his training in the State, having passed through the various grades as pupil teacher at Gunning, assistant, and headmaster. He took his University degree by attendance at the evening lectures, and was one of five who were granted exemption from attendance at the first year's course while in the country. Inspector Smith has been 7½ years at Burwood, and during his headmastership there the school made rapid strides. Prior to his appointment at Burwood Mr. Smith was nine and a half years at Leichhardt Superior Public School and before that he was at Kiama, Penrith, and Palmer-street, Sydney. The district which Inspector Smith will control is that including Bega, Eden, Bombala, and Moruya. Inspector P. Duris was in charge there until recently. The new inspector will remain in Sydney till about the middle of February. He is an active and athletic gentleman and will probably take much interest in the amateur athletics of the district and in the trout fishing of the Snowy river district. Inspector Smith's appointment is popular amongst teachers, particularly as marking the promotion of a locally-trained teacher. Mr. J. Ferguson, of Neutral Bay, is to succeed Inspector Smith at Burwood.

THE PATRIOTIC FUND.

The fortnightly meeting of the executive committee of the New South Wales Patriotic Fund was held yesterday. Six applications for "further relief" were received. Grants were made in three instances, two were deferred, and one was refused. Fifteen first applications were received, and grants were made in every instance. The total amount authorised for payment at the meeting was £240. It was decided that a letter should be written asking the Commandant to use extra precaution to prevent married men from enlisting, as the experience gained in connection with the administration of the fund shows that much distress was caused by the enlistment of married men.

INTER-STATE CRICKET.

POSITION OF DARLING.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

Before the South Australian team to play New South Wales was selected the cricket committee of the association considered at great length whether or not to play J. Darling, the international captain. Earlier in the season the New South Wales Association intimated that no objection would be taken to Darling playing, although he had been a resident in Tasmania for 12 months. There was, however, a strong section on the committee who thought that Darling should be considered no longer a South Australian, and as it was desirable to experiment with juniors now that South Australia had no chance of winning the Sheffield Shield, the famous left-hander should not be asked to play. It was thought wise not to place on record any resolution on the subject but the selectors were given to understand before they set to work that Darling was not available.

SPECIAL CABLES.

FROM THE "HERALD'S" LONDON CORRESPONDENTS.

ANGLOPHOBIA IN GERMANY.

THE REPORTED RETALIATION.

A FABRICATED LETTER.

LONDON, Jan. 8.

Lord George Hamilton, Secretary of State for India, declares that the letter published in the "Daily Express" to German millowners, purporting to emanate from him, is a fabrication.

[The following cable message was published yesterday :—Lord George Hamilton, the Secretary of State for India, has informed those millowners of Prussia and Westphalia who are tendering for supplies for the Indian railways that the violent anti-British tone of the German press and of public opinion has created a feeling in the British Empire incompatible with competition by Germany. This, Lord George Hamilton continues, is all the more deplorable, because all the colonies urgently need railway supplies, which English manufacturers are unable to furnish.]

SPEECH BY COUNT WOLFF METTERNICH.

LONDON, Jan. 8.

Count Wolff Metternich, the German Ambassador to Great Britain, in replying to the toast of his health at a banquet at Hamburg, ridiculed "those extravagant spirits who believed that the maintenance of the traditional relations between Great Britain and Germany was unnecessary."

LORD KITCHENER.

COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF IN INDIA.

LONDON, Jan. 8.

Lord Kitchener states that he will decline to assume the position of Commander-in-Chief of the Army in India until he has finished the war in South Africa.

TONQUIN.

FRENCH REINFORCEMENTS REQUESTED.

LONDON, Jan. 7.

There are 20,000 rebels, mostly Chinese ex-soldiers, in Tonquin. General Dodds, commander of the French troops, has threatened to resign unless he is strongly reinforced.

THE UNITED STATES.

MUNICIPAL REFORM.

LONDON, Jan. 7.

Mr. Seth Low, the Mayor of New York, in a message to the Board of Aldermen appeals for the co-operation of the people to crush blackmailing, which was unnecessary, thus securing justice and averting harm.

THE POPULATION.

LONDON, Jan. 8.

The population of the United States and its dependencies, by the returns taken last year, amounted to 84,233,069.

[In 1899 the population of the United States alone amounted to 62,622,250. Since then America has acquired dependencies of Hawaii, Cuba, Porto Rico, the Philippine Islands, Guam, and Tutuila and Manua of the Samoan Group.]

THE NEW HEBRIDES.

LONDON, Jan. 7.

Sir Charles Dilke, M.P., in an interview, said he was convinced that the statement that France would get the New Hebrides in return for withdrawing from Newfoundland was not true. He added that the negotiations between Great Britain and France in regard to Newfoundland had been long suspended.

CHILI AND ARGENTINA.

LONDON, Jan. 7.

Chili has conceded Argentina's claim to police Ultima Esperanza, the territory in dispute.

VESSELS IN COLLISION.

STEAMER ALFONSO FOUNDERS.

EIGHTEEN LIVES LOST.

LONDON, Jan. 7.

The steamer Alfonso, 1325 tons, was in collision off Cape Finisterre (North-west Spain). The vessel foundered, and the crew (18 Liverpool men) were drowned.

The Alfonso was an iron screw steamer of 1325 tons gross register, owned by Messrs. Strong, Rees, and Rigg, of Liverpool, which was the vessel's port of registry. She was built in 1878 at the yards of Oswald, Mordaunt, and Co., of Southampton. Her dimensions were: Length, 246·8ft.; breadth, 31·9ft.; and depth, 17·4ft. Besides the Alfonso, Messrs. Strong, Rees, and Rigg own the steamers Corso, Neto, and Orbo, the two lastnamed each being several hundred tons larger than the Alfonso.

CHILDREN'S EMPIRE LEAGUE.

LONDON, Jan. 8.

A children's branch of the Empire League is being formed and is influentially supported. The object of the branch is to enable colonial children in London to view the coronation. The Agents-General of the Colonies are among those supporting the movement.

BOATING FATALITY.

TWENTY-THREE PERSONS DROWNED.

LONDON, Jan. 7.

A boat when crossing the river Lezaro, Spain, capsized, and 23 persons who were on board were drowned.

LONDON SMALLPOX EPIDEMIC.

FIFTY-SIX CASES IN ONE DAY.

LONDON, Jan. 7.

Yesterday 56 fresh cases of smallpox were discovered in London.

Upwards of 800 patients are under treatment.

Additional accommodation for sufferers is being rapidly built.

PRECAUTIONS AT MELBOURNE.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

With reference to the outbreak of smallpox at London, Dr. Cresswell states that instructions have been issued at Melbourne to have special care taken in the inspection of vessels arriving here from London.

BRITISH TRADE.

LONDON, Jan. 8.

The Board of Trade returns for December have been published. They show that the value of the imports has increased by £323,435, and the value of the exports has increased by £701,805, as compared with the imports and exports for the corresponding months of the previous year.

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CHINA.

THE COURT'S RETURN TO PEKING.

A BRILLIANT SPECTACLE.

EMPEROR LISTLESS.

EMPRESS-DOWAGER CONFIDENT.

LONDON, Jan. 7.

Thousands of persons received the Emperor and the Empress Dowager, who rode in yellow palanquins, and were escorted by a brilliant cavalcade with banners and umbrellas.

The route of the procession for four miles leading to the palace was lined by kneeling troops.

The Empress Dowager saw the foreigners peering down from the buildings and bowed to them.

Jan. 8.

It is stated by those who witnessed the return of the Court that the Emperor was listless and indifferent, while the Empress Dowager was smiling and confident.

The Chinese comment greatly upon the recognition of the foreigners by the Empress Dowager.

APPOINTMENTS AND DECORATIONS.

BOXERS FAVOURED.

LONDON, Jan. 8.

Yuen-shi-kai, who exterminated Boxerism in the Shantung province, and who is now Governor of Chi-li, has received from the Emperor the Order of the Yellow Jacket. Chin-pi, a Boxer, has been appointed Governor of Peking.

Two of the chief lieutenants of Tung-fu-hsiang at the siege of the legations accompanied the Empress-Dowager to Peking. It is reported that they are destined for high commands.

BRITISH FINANCES.

A DEFICIT PROBABLE.

LONDON, Jan. 8.

Sir Robert Giffen, the eminent economist, in a letter to the "Times," states that he anticipates that the Budget of the Chancellor of the Exchequer will show a deficiency of £10,000,000, and that increased taxation will be necessary.

PLANS OF A FRENCH IRONCLAD STOLEN.

LONDON, Jan. 8.

The plans of the French battleship Henri IV., which was recently completed, have disappeared.

Henri IV. has only been lately completed. She is a turret battleship, having a displacement of 8948 tons. Her heaviest guns are two 10·8in. and seven 5·5in. quick-firers. She was built at Cherbourg, and cost about £800,000.

A NAVAL SHAM FIGHT.

USE OF SUBMARINE BOATS.

LONDON, Jan. 8.

In a naval sham fight at Cherbourg, France, two coast defence battleships and one torpedo-boat destroyer were matched against five submarine boats.

In the engagement the submarine boats struck with torpedoes all their opponents.

CANADIAN PENNY POSTAGE.

LONDON, Jan. 8.

The Canadian postal revenue has recovered from the loss which was occasioned by the adoption of the penny postage.

EXHIBITION AT CAPETOWN.

LONDON, Jan. 7.

British firms are organising an exhibition to be held at Capetown in 1903.

OBITUARY.

M. BLOCH.

LONDON, Jan. 8.

The death is announced of M. Bloch, well known as the author of "War of the Future."

M. Jean de Bloch was an Actual Councillor of State of Russia, and a member of the Comite des Savants of the Ministry of Finance. Formerly he was a contractor and administrator of railways. He has published many economic works, principally on the condition of Russia. His most famous work, and one which brought him European notice, was his "War of the Future," in six volumes, in which he endeavoured to show that wars will be conducted on so gigantic a scale, and over such vast distances, and that arms have so great a range, that it will be a matter of the greatest difficulty to bring armies together for decisive conflict. He also shows that the enormous expense of keeping armies in the field will tend to the indecisiveness of a campaign.

THE WESTERN LANDS ACT.

PREPARATIONS FOR ITS ADMINISTRATION.

The preparations for the administration of the Western Lands Act by the Commissioners are well advanced, and the Commissioners appointed in accordance with the Act will probably be sworn in to-day before a Judge of the Supreme Court. They are Mr. C. J. M'Master (Chief Commissioner), Mr. Robert M'Donald, and the Hon. Hugh Langwell, and the form of oath which each Commissioner will take is as follows :—"I, A.B., Commissioner appointed in the Western Lands Act of 1901, do hereby swear I am not, and shall not during my term of office under such Act, be directly or indirectly interested in any land in the Western Division, or in any matter which may arise in connection therewith under this Act, and that I will well and truly, and without fear or favour, perform the duties of my office of such Commissioner."

The Western Lands Act was assented to by the Governor on December 27 last. It is that the duties that will engage the Commissioners in the first instance will be a revision of all rents and license fees in the Western Division by June 30 next. The Commissioners will also deal with the applications for extension of the area of small holdings which are required by the Act to be lodged within six months from January 1. They will also deal with applications for extension of leases and a further revision of the provisional rental referred to above, and which must under the statute be made before the end of the year 1906. It is estimated that probably some 5000 applications will have to be dealt with by the Commissioners during the first 12 months of their term of office. There are a number of minor details also to be carried out in connection with the Act.

The Commissioners have been busily engaged during the last few days making preliminary preparations to enter actively upon their duties. Arrangements are being made to secure offices in a suitable position, and pending the appointment of a permanent staff it is understood that some officers from the Lands Department will give assistance. Forms of application to bring existing leases in the Western Division under the provisions of the Western Lands Act, and other forms necessary for the proper administration of the law, are in the hands of the Government Printer, and will be available for use in the course of a day or two.

THE TOWITTA TRAGEDY.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

An inquest on the body of Bertha Schippan, who was murdered at Towitta on New Year's night, will be resumed at 9.30 a.m. to-morrow at Schippan's house. Mounted-constable Finch returned to Angaston to-day en route for his station at Gladstone. He reports that everything is ready for the resumption of the inquest. The case for the police will be conducted by Mr. J. H. Sinclair, assistant Crown solicitor.

Dr. Ramsay Smith, the City Coroner of Adelaide, has gone to Towitta not to conduct the adjourned inquest, but to testify regarding the stains on a certain garment and other things found in Schippan's house.

Mr. J. Anderson (manager Metropolitan Ice and Cold Storage Company, Limited) announces that in response to a requisition he has consented to be a candidate for a seat on the Industrial Arbitration Court as a representative of the employers.

THE WAR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

OPERATIONS IN THE TRANSVAAL.

BOERS SURPRISED AND CAPTURED.

LONDON, Jan. 8.

Colonel Colenbrander, with a small force, crossed the Magato Pass at night, and surprised Field Cornet Louez at Waterval at dawn. He killed five of the Boers and captured 29, despite the fact that there were many Boers in the vicinity.

Brigadier-General Plumer, Brigadier-General Spens, and Colonel Pulteney on January 3 and 4 drove a considerable force under Commandants Christian Botha and Opperman from a position north of Amersfoort.

A detachment under Major J. M. Vallentin suffered severely.

Major Vallentin and 18 men were killed and five officers and 28 men were wounded.

The Boers left 9 dead on the field.

Colonel Williams surprised a laager on the Upper Olifant's River and captured 11 Boers, including Field-Cornet Breytenbach.

Major Morris captured six Boers, 40 waggons, and much stock at Mokwani.

[The Magato Pass is in the Magaliesberg, west of Pretoria, while Waterval is a station on the Pretoria-Pietersburg line, 15 miles north of Pretoria. Amersfoort, near which place Brigadier-Generals Plumer and Spens are operating, is in the north-eastern Transvaal, 25 miles north of the Natal border.]

PART OF THE ORANGE RIVER COLONY CLEAR.

LONDON, Jan. 8.

The country between the Orange River and Thaba'Nchu is clear of the enemy. Major-General C. Knox has accordingly gone north.

[The district which has been cleared of the enemy is the south-eastern portion of the State, and includes Caledon River, Smithfield, Rouxville, Wepner, Edenburg, Dewetsdorp, and Ladybrand].

THE CAPE RAIDERS.

REDUCED IN FIGHTING POWER.

LONDON, Jan. 8.

Lieutenant-General French reports that the Boers in the north-east of Cape Colony are so reduced in numbers and fighting power as to require only elaborate police work. Supervision is now chiefly confined to the triangle formed by lines drawn from Rhodes to Barkly East, thence to Barkly pass and returning to Rhodes.

BOER LOSSES.

LONDON, Jan. 8.

Lord Kitchener telegraphs to the War Office :—"Since my last, a week ago, on this subject, columns report the following : 36 Boers killed, 9 wounded, 216 prisoners and 72 surrenders."

SENTENCES ON REBELS.

LONDON, Jan. 8.

Two rebels have been sentenced at Colesberg to 10 years' imprisonment and three others to death. The sentences on the three latter were commuted to penal servitude.

PROTEST AGAINST DISLOYALTY.

LONDON, Jan. 7.

Mr. H. J. Raubenheimer, a member of the Afrikander Bond, has resigned his seat in the Cape Legislative Assembly as a protest against the disloyal attitude of some of his constituents in the electorate of George (South-western Province, Cape Colony).

DR. KRAUSE AT BERLIN.

LONDON, Jan. 7.

Dr. Krause has visited Berlin. Many persons offered to subscribe the amount of his bail and enable him to remain in Germany. Dr. Krause replied that he was in honour bound to return to England, being an official.

[Dr. Krause, who is on remand on a charge of inciting to murder, has been allowed bail in £2000.]

AUSTRALASIAN OFFICERS.

LONDON, Jan. 4.

Quarter-master C. H. Akins, of the Victorian Mounted Rifles, and Lieutenant Haig, of the 6th New Zealand Mounted Rifles, are convalescent and have resumed duty.

VICTORIAN CASUALTY.

LONDON, Jan. 8.

A court of inquiry has found that Corporal H. Boxall, of the 5th Victorian Mounted Rifles, reported missing in April, 1901, was killed in action.

RETURNED INVALIDED SOLDIERS.

REMOVED FROM VICTORIA BARRACKS.

In accordance with instructions issued from the Headquarter Staff Office, addressed to the Commandant of the New South Wales military forces, all the invalids in his charge at the Victoria Barracks were handed over at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon and forwarded to the Treasury, where they were met and taken over by Captain Thomas, supervising officer. They were sent to the Royal Naval House. There were about 25 men from various returned contingents. Before leaving the barracks the men were photographed in a group, with Lieutenant Chaseling, officer-in-charge of returned South African soldiers, in the centre.

VICTORIA'S CONTRIBUTION TO THE WAR.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

A return has been prepared showing that Victoria has sent 125 officers and 2320 men and 2681 horses to South Africa during the war. Thirteen officers and 99 men have been killed or died, 58 officers and 1247 men returned, and 66 officers and 891 men are still in the field.

EIGHTH NEW ZEALAND CONTINGENT.

WELLINGTON (N.Z.), Wednesday.

The eighth contingent is now encamped, and preparations for the departure are in a forward state. About five thousand men applied for service.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

STANDARD BUSHEL OF WHEAT.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

The corn trade section of the Chamber of Commerce to-day fixed the standard sample of wheat at 62lb. per bushel, the same as last year. Much of the grain is pinched owing to red rust. The standard has not been lower for several years.

Monday, January 27, in lieu of January 22, the anniversary of the accession of King Edward, will be kept as a public holiday in South Australia. The will take the place of the one formerly observed on June 20.

TASMANIA.

CONFERENCE OF MINISTERS OF AGRICULTURE.

HOBART, Wednesday.

The conference of Ministers of Agriculture from the various States is fixed for January 30 at Hobart. It was convened at the instance of the Victorian Premier to deal with the bonus system, the London depot for exported products, the shipping of perishable products, uniform fruit cases, branding, grain in bulk, stock-branding regulations, and butter brands.

The Australasian Science Congress has nominated Professor David, of Sydney University, as chairman for 1904. The form of the Von Mueller scientific memorial is to be a medal and the balance of the fund to be placed at the disposal of the association. Alterations in the bylaws agreed to at the Melbourne meeting were confirmed to-day by 19 votes to six. The congress at Adelaide will be held at a period to be arranged. Sir Arthur Havelock consents to be patron of the association.

Parliament stands prorogued until June 11.

THE FEDERAL CONTINGENT.

THE MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS.

HIGH PERCENTAGE OF REJECTIONS.

Fifty-one applicants for enrolment presented themselves for examination by the medical officers at the Royal Agricultural Society's grounds yesterday. Of these 25 were rejected on account of various defects. The percentage of rejections was therefore nearly 50 per cent., as against 25 per cent. on the previous day. About 350 returned soldiers have been notified to attend for the medical tests. So far 175 have reported themselves, two or three have not yet been examined, and 54 have been rejected. Major Roth, D.S.O., and Captain Green, D.S.O., are conducting the medical examinations. If the present rate of rejections continues, there will be a larger proportion of new men than was at first anticipated. The list of men posted to companies includes the names—with three exceptions—of men who passed the doctors yesterday.

The following candidates for commissions in the contingent were on duty yesterday :—Lieutenants Long Innes, Zouch, and S. R. Antill, Messrs. C. Biddlecombe, C. T. Norris, and W. F. Roberts. Captain E. W. R. Soane went into camp as acting adjutant. The camp and staff officers remain as published in yesterday's "Herald." To-day, however, Major Antill will take charge of the training of the contingent.

Yesterday about 70 men were exercised in shooting at Randwick rifle range under Lieutenant-Colonel Bayly. Most of the men did very well. Two or three whose performances were somewhat indifferent will be given another trial. There will be a general parade of all the men in camp before breakfast this morning.

With the list published this morning notifications to attend for medical examination have been sent to about 370 returned soldiers. A large proportion of the applicants so notified have not reported themselves. The enrolling officer will not await the convenience of those who do not promptly respond. To-day the list of applicants who have not seen service will be gone through, and a list of the most eligible will be made out, and the men whose names appear thereon will be notified.

Brigadier-General Finn has approved of the names of 15 candidates for commissions, who will do probationary duty at the camp. No senior officers have yet been nominated, and the State Commandant will probably wait for a few days to see if a wider range of selection is possible.

Veterinary-Captain Gribben has charge of the selection and purchase of horses, a duty which he will carry out under the directions of the New South Wales Commandant. Lest any misunderstanding should arise from the announcement that the price of horses is not to exceed £30, Colonel Mackenzie states that only in very exceptional cases will this sum be paid. It is to be regarded as the extreme price not the average, which may be between £10 and £15. Captain Gribben expects to be able to get plenty of good serviceable horses at about £10 or slightly more.

FOURTH LIST OF APPLICANTS.

The undermentioned applicants for enrolment have been notified that they may present themselves for medical examination :—

A. HARNETT, Newtown.
J. T. HOFFMAN, Young.
A. ARROWSMITH, Cumberland-street, Sydney.
B. HOWELL, Surry Hills.
A. LLEWELLYN, Lower Domain.
F. J. M'MAHON, Lockhart.
H. M'MENEMY, Moore Park.
J. M'DONALD, Metropolitan Coffee Palace, Sydney.
A. C. CLARK, G.P.O., Sydney.
W. PARSONS, Redfern.
W. E. POPE, Police Department, Sydney.
R. BRADSTREET, Paddington.
T. SULLIVAN, Moore Park.
J. H. SUTTON, Chatswood.
L. J. TILLEY, Derby.
A. TRIM, St. Mary's-terrace.
W. TIERNEY, Orange.
T. TARLINGTON, Balmain.
A. THOROUGHGOOD, Macquarie-street South.
J. TIPPER, Waverley.
J. R. BOWLING, Ultimo.
G. W. BURGESS, Carrington, Newcastle.
H. R. RONSFIELD, P.O., Manly.
J. D. CINNOLLY, Paddington.
J. J. DAVIS, Waterfield.
A. G. FORD, P.O., Thomastown.
F. J. GAUL, Merriwa.
W. HAMPSON, Waverley.
J. HART, Castlereagh-street, Sydney.
R. HOEY, Springside.
W. ANNISON, Waggs Wagga.
W. E. GODBERT, Cunnamulla.
A. COOPER, Coota.
F. J. CLEARY, Picton.
A. CRESCH, Young.
S. J. FORSYTH, Cootamundra.
R. FREER, Jenolllin, Upper Murray.
J. GOSPER, Bathurst-street, Sydney.
T. R. HUGHES, Surry Hills.
V. R. HUGHES, Paddington.
C. W. JONES, Yass.
J. LYNCH, Gordon, North Sydney.
S. H. MURRAY, Brougham-street, Sydney.
A. MITCHELL, Burwood.
J. J. MURPHY.
J. NORMAN, Narrandera.
C. L. O'MALLEY, Cootamundra.
P. SELINGOE, Russell Hotel, Sydney.
D. A. SHEPHARD, Waggs.
G. SHEPHARD, Chippendale.
T. K. TAPLIN, Middle Head.
R. J. WAKELEIGH, Robertson.
J. F. WEIR, Homebush.
S. G. AKERS, Parramatta.
G. C. BREERS, Redfern.
E. N. HOPKINS, Oxford-street P.O.
J. SAYERS, Albury.
A. K. SHEPHARD, G.P.O., Sydney.
W. WATKINS.
T. A. WALSH, Newcastle.
T. G. WATSON, West Maitland.

POSTED TO COMPANIES.

The three companies of the New South Wales detachment are being formed simultaneously. Three men who have passed the medical test have not yet been posted, as they have to be tested in riding or shooting—in one case in both. The composition of the three companies is as follows :—

A COMPANY.

J. BARTLETT	W. C. F. THOMAS
G. BEALE	J. WAYNE
S. HEALEY	J. O'CONNOR
R. J. LUXON	T. St. WATT
T. H. ROBINSON	T. O'BRI

other explosion was heard. The sky was clear before and after the occurrence. The meteor illuminated the landscape brilliantly.

WELLINGTON, Wednesday.

A meteor of great brilliancy was visible here at about 8.30 last evening. The town and surroundings were illuminated for several seconds.

YASS, Wednesday.

Last night a brilliant meteor of unusual size appeared over the town at 20 minutes to 9. It rapidly increased in size, and after a time appeared to explode.

FIREBALLS AND SHOOTING STARS.

Respecting fireballs and shooting stars, W. F. Denning, F.R.A.S., contributes an article to "Knowledge," in which he says:—

"The swift meteors are decidedly higher in the atmosphere than the slow meteors. The luminous flights of fireballs are much longer generally than those of ordinary shooting stars. Both fireballs and shooting stars from low radiants have longer paths than those from radiants at high altitudes. Nearly all the slow-moving fireballs are directed from radiants in the vicinity of the horizon. The great majority of fireballs travel slowly, and their radiants are placed in the western half of the sky and somewhere in the region of the earth's anti-apex. A singularly well-marked height at which slow-moving fireballs disappear is 26-20 miles. Comparatively few large or small meteors become extinct when between 31 and 42 miles above the earth. Nearly all the well-observed meteors have vanished either between elevations of 20-30 or 45-60 miles. Fireballs are more frequent within two hours or so after sunset than at any other time of the night; in fact, the number of these bodies which make their appearance in the evening twilight is quite remarkable. They are also often noticed in the morning not long before sunrise. This notable frequency cannot be explained on the supposition that more people being about at the hours stated than at other periods near the middle of the night that they would naturally be more apt to see of these objects. Regular meteoric observers do not witness many fireballs of the larger kind because such bodies commonly make their appearance at times either before or after the usual hours when meteor watches are conducted; and, indeed, they often present themselves when least expected, and in conditions of sky not well suited for their observation.

LENGTH OF PATH.

"With reference to the length of path, shooting stars do not often extend over 50 miles, though in rather exceptional cases, when the radiant closely borders the horizon, they may considerably exceed 100 miles; as, for example, the Aquarid of 1900, May 3. But the luminous flights of the slow-moving fireballs are usually more than 100 miles in length, and such objects often furnish grand spectacles, remaining visible from about five to 12 seconds, exhibiting a very intermittent light, and flashing out brilliantly several times as they plough their way through the atmosphere. Dr. Von Niessl's mean length of path for many large meteors observed from the continent of Europe and America is much greater than that deduced from similar objects seen in England. Possibly this discordance may be in part explained by the fact that in England the sphere of observation is so curtailed that the visible limits of very long-pathed meteors cannot be followed, there being no observers in the region nearly under the beginning or end points which must often be placed vertically over the sea. In other parts of Europe and in America, however, the vast expanse of country enables large meteors to be unanimously seen and accurately determined in their places of flight. Thus the fireball of 1868, September 5, was computed by Dr. Von Niessl to have traversed a path of 1,770 miles, from Servia to France.

"It is seldom that either fireballs or shooting stars are first seen at heights exceeding 100 miles, and it appears remarkable that they have rarely ever been observed at an elevation reaching 130 miles. Heis and Niessl give rather numerous instances where the computed heights have been over 130 miles, and I have also met with a few cases of abnormal elevation, but so far as recent investigations enable me to form a just opinion, I conclude that a meteor with any part of its real path at a height exceeding 100 miles must be regarded as a rarity. The very swift meteors begin their observed luminous careers at heights from about 99 to 75 miles, while the slow meteors commence at elevations ranging from 75 to 55 miles.

VAGARIES OF METEORS.

"But meteors sometimes display vagaries capable of putting the most experienced and best judgment in fault. In fact, there is probably no branch of astronomy in which more false views and false inferences are possible and in which more are actually committed than in meteoric work. Be the observer ever so practised, and his knowledge of the various radiants and of the details influencing their correct determination ever so complete, he cannot attribute any meteor to its centre with absolute certainty that it is correct. Even when the case is one in which he feels an unusual amount of confidence, he is liable to find afterwards, should a duplicate observation come to hand, that he has been mistaken in his judgment. Possibly an old observer can do little more than get the radiant in three cases out of four, but it is always a difficult performance, and requires not only that the direction of flight should be very accurately observed, but that all the visible features of each meteor should be attentively noted, as they often serve to indicate the pretty exact place of the radiant when the path alone leaves it open to doubt."

FRIENDLY SOCIETIES.

BOADICEA LODGE, NO. 249.

The annual finance meeting of the Boadicea Lodge, No. 249, of the Grand Lodge of New South Wales (United Ancient Order of Druids) was held at the lodgeroom, Punt Piper-road, Woollahra, on Tuesday evening. There was a large attendance, presided over by Bro. A. G. T. Moore (Arch-Druid). Bro. A. L. Field presented the balance-sheet for the past year, also for the quarter ended December 31. The total receipts from all sources amounted to £1110 0s 8d, of which sum £935 0s 8d represented members' contributions. The sick pay for the year amounted to £297 9s. The total assets of the lodge amounted to £235 17s 8d. Bro. C. E. Patterson read the auditors' report, which, with the balance-sheet, was adopted. Bros. A. J. Barnes and C. E. Patterson (Past Arch-Druids) were re-elected auditors; Bros. E. J. Hill and E. Brown were appointed representatives to the Grand Lodge sessions; and Bros. E. J. Hill and E. Guise to the United Friendly Societies' Dispensary. During the evening presentations were made, consisting of a Past Arch-Druid's collar to Bro. P. J. Patterson and a framed Past Arch-Druid's diploma to Bro. G. Crothers.

JUBILEE LODGE.

The Jubilee Lodge, No. 222, U.A.O. Druids, held their annual meeting on Friday last in the Federal Hall, Burwood, a number of members and visitors present. Bro. Thomas Dalton, A.D., presided, P.D.P. Bro. Tapp, P.D.P. Bro. W. Kay, and D.P. Bro. A. Hackney attended as installation officers and installed the following officers:—A.D., Bro. C. Williams, P.A.; V.A.D., Bro. A. H. Merrett; P.A., secretary, Bro. F. Hudson; treasurer, Bro. W. J. Moon; A.D. Bards, Bros. F. Henderson and L. A. Favell; V.A. Bards, Bros. C. P. Taylor and J. Jackson; I.G., Bro. S. Searle; auditor, Bro. H. F. M'Manamey; G.L. representatives, Bros. C. Williams and F. Burton. Bro. Tapp, on behalf of the lodge, presented P.A. Bro. Thomas Dalton with a P.A. collar and case for his services to the lodge. A P.A. collar and case were presented by Bro. S. Eastwood, on behalf of the lodge, to Bro. C. Williams.

ALBERT LODGE, M.U.

The financial meeting of the Loyal Albert Lodge, No. 13, Manchester Unity I.O.O.F., was held in the M.U. Hall, Castlereagh-street, on Tuesday evening last. The Noble Grand elect, Past Grand P. E. Sinfield, occupied the chair, and a fair number of brethren were present. The balance-sheet showed a credit balance on the quarter's transactions of £136 8s 5d. The benevolent fund credit balance, £57; management expense fund credit balance, £2098 8s 7d; sick and funeral fund credit balance, £860 0s 11d. The total worth of the lodge was shown to be £3015 6s 2d, excluding about £70 due from the Savings Bank as interest. It was reported that the lodge had placed in the Savings Bank to its credit £2673 17s 9d; invested in the M.U. Hall £200, and £5 in the Guarantee Association. During the quarter £105 13s 2d was paid from the sick and funeral fund, and £40 for compensation. P.G. Gordon was elected lecture-master for the ensuing term, Bro. Gray outside guardian, Bros. Poole, Carlisle, and Dennis delegates to the medical board, Bros. Poole, Edmonds, and Moore as auditors for the ensuing term, and Bros. Poole, Noble, Upton, White, and Dennis as arbitration committee.

GOOD TEMPLARY.

The week-end meeting in connection with the Independent Order of Good Templars was held in the Queen's Hall, Pitt-street, on Saturday night. There was a large attendance of the public. The chair was occupied by Bro. A. G. Martin, C.T. (Hearts of Oak Lodge). A short address upon temperance work and organisation was delivered by Bro. Britain, and a programme of instrumental and vocal selections was carried out, the contributors being Misses Sidaway, Palmer, Loughran, Mrs. Saunders, and Messrs. Stockwell, Tatham, Archer, Robinson, Russell, Heckley, and Young.

CHURCH NEWS.

PYRMONT PRIMITIVE METHODIST CHURCH.

A memorial service, touching the death of the late Mrs. Schofield, was held on Sunday night at the Pyrmont Primitive Methodist Church by the Rev. John Penman. The pulpit was draped. The preacher made touching reference to the congregation's lengthy acquaintance with the deceased lady, who was a regular attendant at the church for a number of years. Appropriate hymns were rendered by the choir.

RIFLE SHOOTING.

LAWSON, Wednesday.

The prize-winners at the local range for the quarter ended December 31 were as follows:—E. J. Hollingworth, 60, 56, 53—171; A. J. Fahey, 51, 55, 57—171; Adams, 50, 56, 53—171; A. J. Fahey, 51, 55, 57—171; Adams, 54, 50, 46—150; S. Charlton, 54, 52, 36—144; J. Adamson, 50, 50, 36—142; J. H. Sayers, 50, 42, 34—126; W. Newton, 41, 43, 39—123; H. Hamilton, 37, 44, 42—123; E. J. Hollingworth also won the prizes trophy given by Mr. John Brown, and also won the prizes trophy given by Mr. John Brown, and also won the gold medal presented by J. Wheeler for the greatest number of bull's-eyes scored during the 12 months.

WAGGA, Wednesday.

The aggregate scores of the best six shootings for the half-yearly prizes and the president's trophy in connection with the Wagga Rifle Club were as follows:—Hazell, 398; Robinson, 389; Hemingham, 381; Owens, 363; Cunningham, 341; Bell, 340.

VICTORIA.

OLD-AGE PENSIONS ACT.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

Under the original Old-Age Pensions Act maximum of 10s per week the annual cost ran into about £320,000, but under the Amendment Act now in operation, which fixes 7s as the maximum weekly payment, and provides for searching examination into the bona fides of applicants for pensions, it is estimated that the annual cost will be brought down to £225,000 per annum. The Commissioners, to whom claims are forwarded, have to investigate them "in open Court in the locality where the claimant resides," but with the despatch of notices of hearing to police, the officers of savings banks or other financial institutions, members of governing bodies of charitable institutions, and relatives of the applicant the publicity ceases so far as the general public is concerned, and no special notification of these Courts will be given.

WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY.

Mr. H. W. Jenvey, chief electrician attached to the Postal Department, made excellent progress in his experiments with wireless telegraphy up to May last, but since then he has received no encouragement from the authorities to proceed. The Postmaster-General, however, is alive to the practical advantages which would accrue if the system could be established in the Commonwealth, and he has decided to call for a report on the subject from Mr. Jenvey, with a view of seeing if he can help him to perfect the system which he has devised after many experiments by reading technical works upon the subject.

THE FINANCES OF THE UNIVERSITY.

The question of appointing a Royal Commission to inquire into the present condition of the University finances was discussed at to-day's meeting of the Cabinet. The Premier suggested that perhaps the Public Accounts Committee of the Assembly, which consists of Messrs. Beazley, Fink, M'Kenzie, Smith, E. D. Williams, and H. R. Williams, and Sir John M'Intyre would be the most competent body to conduct the investigations. The proposal was generally acceptable to Ministers, but no decision was arrived at in order that further time might be given to consider the suggestion.

BISHOPRIC OF BENDIGO.

With regard to the appointment of Archdeacon Langley to the bishopric of Bendigo, a protest has been forwarded to the Primate against the appointment on the ground that the Right Rev. Dr. Gore acted on the committee while he was only administrator of the diocese, he having resigned from the bishopric some time ago.

THE RECENT FIRE ON THE WILCANNIA.

The steamer Wilcannia is expected to resume her voyage to London on the 13th instant. The damage done by the recent fire in the coal bunker has been made good, and the work of taking in a fresh supply of coal was commenced this morning. The damaged coal, amounting to about 500 tons, which was discharged from the bunker in which the fire occurred was offered for sale by tender. The highest price offered was 7s 6d per ton, but the agents declined to accept this.

The wool sales were resumed to-day. Competition was extremely brisk from all sections of the trade, and prices for all kinds of merinos showed an advance of 5 per cent. compared with the prices ruling before Christmas.

The destructive pest has made its appearance in the potato crop at Hamilton. It is a small whitish fly, which settles on the potato stems in countless numbers. The leaves of the plant afterwards present a whitish appearance, as though badly frost-bitten.

At the City Court to-day Frederick Leonard, a Swiss artificial, was again committed to custody pending extradition to Switzerland, where he is wanted to answer a charge of fraudulent bankruptcy.

At the City Court to-day Sergeant-major Vimmore Wright sued Edith Lord, on a charge of enticing Edward L. Wickins to break into a dwelling-house for the purpose of committing a felony, were committed for trial. Bail was allowed.

A stabbing affray took place early this morning at the Sailors' Home, Spencer-street. A French seaman named Adrien Dunce was removed to the hospital suffering from three stabs, one of which is considered dangerous.

The railway engine cleaner, Daniel Crowe, who had both legs crushed below the knees by an engine passing over them in the Oakleigh station yard on Saturday night, appears to have recovered from the shock of amputation, and is progressing favourably.

The question of the appointment of the Auditor-General was considered at a meeting of the State Cabinet to-day. Four applications for the post were considered, and the selection was narrowed down to Mr. James Bagge (Secretary for Education), Mr. Gilbert (inspector of municipal accounts), and Mr. H. Reid (accountant of the Railway Department). The final choice will probably be made at the next Cabinet meeting.

Inquiries are being made by the Railway Department with a view of extending the benefits of the eight-hour principle to railway signalmen.

The will of the late John Cumming, who died on September 2, has been lodged for probate. The Victorian property consists of £63,182 realty and £25,133 personalty.

It is understood that the Rev. Digby Berry, M.A., has been offered the incumbency of St. George's, Hobart, Tasmania. Mr. Berry has been prominently before the public of late as a lecturer in opposition to any alteration in the terms of the Coronation oath.

The Rev. Dr. Marshall proposes to visit Scotland early next year, and is arranging to have his place in Melbourne filled by one of the leading Scottish clergymen.

Mr. John Anderson, accountant at the Warrnambool branch of the National Bank, was found dead this morning with a bullet wound in his head. The body was found in a garden attached to the house where Mr. Anderson boarded. A revolver was grasping in the right hand of deceased.

M. Mooney is recovering from the effects of his fall off Error in the Steeplechase at Flemington on New Year's Day; but he will probably keep out of the saddle for some days yet.

The Engineer-in-Chief states that the construction of the Wycheproof-Mildura railway is being somewhat retarded by the scarcity of water. There are now only about 200 men employed, whereas 400 were formerly at work.

During a picnic at Beaconsfield yesterday a fatal accident happened to Dr. L. L. Smith's daughter Gladys, aged 9 years. The child tripped and fell in descending a steep hill, and was struck by a large stone weighing about 6cwt. which became dislodged. Her injuries had a fatal termination.

NEW ZEALAND.

PACIFIC MAIL SERVICES.

WELLINGTON, Wednesday.

In reference to the proposals made to the Federal Government for a change of route of the San Francisco service, Mr. Bonnett, the Auckland agent for the Oceanic Company, said he believed the proposal to take Auckland off the route was entirely the outcome of the unfair treatment the service had received at the hands of the New Zealand Parliament. If New Zealand treated the service fairly he believed she could retain it, but could not expect Mr. Spreckels to again leave himself in the hands of Parliament after the treatment the improved service had received.

In the course of a speech at Otira Mr. Seddon, referring to a report that he was to receive a high appointment elsewhere, said he was then far advanced in years to seek England, and their radiants are placed in the western half of the sky and somewhere in the region of the earth's anti-apex. A singularly well-marked height at which slow-moving fireballs disappear is 26-20 miles. Comparatively few large or small meteors become extinct when between 31 and 42 miles above the earth. Nearly all the well-observed meteors have vanished either between elevations of 20-30 or 45-60 miles. Fireballs are more frequent within two hours or so after sunset than at any other time of the night; in fact, the number of these bodies which make their appearance in the evening twilight is quite remarkable. They are also often noticed in the morning not long before sunrise. This notable frequency cannot be explained on the supposition that more people being about at the hours stated than at other periods near the middle of the night that they would naturally be more apt to see of these objects. Regular meteoric observers do not witness many fireballs of the larger kind because such bodies commonly make their appearance at times either before or after the usual hours when meteor watches are conducted; and, indeed, they often present themselves when least expected, and in conditions of sky not well suited for their observation.

LENGTH OF PATH.

"With reference to the length of path, shooting stars do not often extend over 50 miles, though in rather exceptional cases, when the radiant closely borders the horizon, they may considerably exceed 100 miles; as, for example, the Aquarid of 1900, May 3. But the luminous flights of the slow-moving fireballs are usually more than 100 miles in length, and such objects often furnish grand spectacles, remaining visible from about five to 12 seconds, exhibiting a very intermittent light, and flashing out brilliantly several times as they plough their way through the atmosphere. Dr. Von Niessl's mean length of path for many large meteors observed from the continent of Europe and America is much greater than that deduced from similar objects seen in England. Possibly this discordance may be in part explained by the fact that in England the sphere of observation is so curtailed that the visible limits of very long-pathed meteors cannot be followed, there being no observers in the region nearly under the beginning or end points which must often be placed vertically over the sea. In other parts of Europe and in America, however, the vast expanse of country enables large meteors to be unanimously seen and accurately determined in their places of flight. Thus the fireball of 1868, September 5, was computed by Dr. Von Niessl to have traversed a path of 1,770 miles, from Servia to France.

"It is seldom that either fireballs or shooting stars are first seen at heights exceeding 100 miles, and it appears remarkable that they have rarely ever been observed at an elevation reaching 130 miles. Heis and Niessl give rather numerous instances where the computed heights have been over 130 miles, and I have also met with a few cases of abnormal elevation, but so far as recent investigations enable me to form a just opinion, I conclude that a meteor with any part of its real path at a height exceeding 100 miles must be regarded as a rarity. The very swift meteors begin their observed luminous careers at heights from about 99 to 75 miles, while the slow meteors commence at elevations ranging from 75 to 55 miles.

VAGARIES OF METEORS.

"But meteors sometimes display vagaries capable of putting the most experienced and best judgment in fault. In fact, there is probably no branch of astronomy in which more false views and false inferences are possible and in which more are actually committed than in meteoric work. Be the observer ever so practised, and his knowledge of the various radiants and of the details influencing their correct determination ever so complete, he cannot attribute any meteor to its centre with absolute certainty that it is correct. Even when the case is one in which he feels an unusual amount of confidence, he is liable to find afterwards, should a duplicate observation come to hand, that he has been mistaken in his judgment. Possibly an old observer can do little more than get the radiant in three cases out of four, but it is always a difficult performance, and requires not only that the direction of flight should be very accurately observed, but that all the visible features of each meteor should be attentively noted, as they often serve to indicate the pretty exact place of the radiant when the path alone leaves it open to doubt."

NEWCASTLE.

METHODIST ORGANIC UNION.

DEMONSTRATION DAY.

NEWCASTLE, Wednesday.

The inaugural celebrations in connection with the accomplishment of Methodist organic union were commenced to-day and were characterised by intense enthusiasm and religious fervour. The occasion was known among the Methodists of the district as "Demonstration Day," and the proceedings were continued from 3 o'clock in the afternoon until after 10 o'clock to-night. The Methodists not only of the city and suburbs but of the entire district assembled in one great gathering to celebrate the birth of the United Methodist Church of Australasia, and prominent clergymen and laymen from all portions of the State arrived to participate in the demonstration. The arrangements in connection with the celebrations had been in progress for some months past, and the combined churches of the entire district united in making the meetings a pronounced success. On no previous occasion in the history of the northern district has such a remarkable religious gathering taken place, and much good is anticipated to result from the celebrations. The whole of the arrangements were supervised by the Rev. W. Pet. Rutledge, who is regarded throughout this State as the leader of the union movement, and to whose untiring efforts for many years past the consummation of Methodist organic union is largely due. The Rev. R. J. Thomas, of the Primitive Methodist section of the Church, acted as honorary secretary of the movement, and much valuable assistance was given by the whole of the ministers of the north and by a large number of prominent laymen.

The procee lings were commenced by a mass camp meeting, which was attended by over 2000 adherents of the Methodist Churches. An immense marquee was erected on a vacant block of land adjoining the Technical College in Hunter-street West, and admission, which was free, was gained by ticket only. The Rev. W. G. Taylor, superintendent of the Central Methodist Mission, Sydney, was the leader of the great meeting, and delivered an earnest and impressive discourse. Addresses were also given by the Rev. Rainford Bavin, the Rev. E. W. Briscombe, the Rev. J. Penman, and Mr. J. J. Charlton. Among others who also took part were the Rev. J. W. Hodge, president of the Primitive Methodist conference, and the Rev. E. Fox, of the Hamilton Wesleyan Church.

The afternoon's meeting was followed by immense tea meetings prepared in the school halls of the Baptist Tabernacle and of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church. Over 1200 sat down, representing the congregations of the whole of the Wesleyan, Primitive Methodist and United Methodist Free Churches of Newcastle and district. Twenty-six tables were provided, and the positions occupied by the different congregations were decided to ballot.

This evening two immense meetings of Methodists were simultaneously held, one in the Newcastle Baptist tabernacle, and the other in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church. These buildings are situated almost immediately opposite each other, and were secured for the reason that they have accommodation for a larger number of people than any other two buildings in the city of Newcastle. Both churches were packed to their utmost capacity, and although admission was by invitation every available seat was occupied. Large numbers of Methodists were disappointed at being unable to gain an entrance to the buildings. The music, which was rendered by the combined choirs of the district, was a feature of the services.

The Rev. W. W. Rutledge was the leader of the meeting at the Baptist Tabernacle, and Alderman Gilbert was chairman. The devotional exercises commenced by the singing of the well-known hymn, "All Hail the Power," in which the immense congregation heartily joined. The Rev. George Black then engaged in prayer, after which a large number of greetings were read.

His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor of South Australia, Sir Samuel Way, telegraphed as follows:—"I regret my presence is impossible. Hearty New Year's greetings to Newcastle friends, and congratulations on union. May the united church be happy and prosperous, and the right keynote be struck at the demonstration."

The Bishop of Newcastle, the Right Rev. Dr. Stanton, wrote:—"I much regret that important engagements will detain me from being present as a visitor at your inaugural celebration of union. Will you allow me to express through you my hearty congratulation on the federation of the Methodist churches, and my desire for more manifested unity is being inbreathed, as we believe by the Holy Spirit, into every branch of the visible Church. The waste of power by overcrowding, the unseemly exhibition of unhappy divisions, the struggle for existence among churches in many places with feelings which are not always fraternal, are conditions which must seriously affect that underlying spiritual unity which already binds together the members of the one family. The federation of all the Methodist Churches sets us all a noble example in the right way for more unity. We have much to unlearn. If our fathers killed some of the prophets we must not build their sepulchres. May the unity of the spirit be very consciously felt throughout your inaugural celebration."

The Right Rev. Dr. Pearson, D.D., Dean of Newcastle, wrote:—"Will you kindly say to your meeting, which I hope will be a great success, that our constant prayer is that God may take away our unhappy divisions, and whatsoever may hinder us from godly union and concord; that we earnestly desire to follow on to know the Lord, and that it is granted to the Universal Church as shall be in accordance with the mind of the Master, who prayed that we might be perfected into one. We therefore are bound to welcome any movement that seems to make for unity, and endorse up the distinctions that have become unmeaning. We wish, therefore, every success to the movement for Methodist unity, and desire that it may be the forerunner of a larger movement than perhaps we can yet even dream of for the reunion of that Christendom for which the Lord Jesus laid down His life."

The Rev. W. H. Pitchett, of Melbourne, telegraphed:—"I heartily congratulate Newcastle Methodism on the great movement of which the meeting to-night is the crown. One of the cherished recollections of my life is that I stood beside you in the memorable meeting which did so much to influence the mind of the Methodism of Newcastle. God's own hand has drawn us into unity, and this is assuredly meant as a preparation for greater spiritual developments. May God bring us back not only to the original unity of Methodism, but to its ancient simplicity and purity."

Greetings were also read from Ven. Archdeacon Boak, of St. John's Anglican Church, Newcastle, and from the Presbyterian churches of Newcastle and district.

The Rev. Seth Jones, on behalf of the Newcastle Ministers' Association, and on behalf of the Baptist Union of New South Wales, offered greetings and congratulations to the Methodists of Australasia.

The Rev. Peter Lee, the ex-president of the United Methodist Church of Australasia, who was well received, said that the consummation of organic union was not only a matter of absorbing interest to Methodist churches of this State and of Australasia, but was also a subject of considerable interest to other Christian churches. (Applause.) Methodists were now one from Croydon in the far north to distant Invercargill in the southernmost portion of New Zealand, from Perth on the western shores of the continent to Brisbane on the north, to Sydney on east, and further still to Fiji, Tonga, Samoa, New Britain, and New Guinea, and very soon to the Solomon Islands. (Applause.) The Methodists had now over 5000 churches in Australasia, and they would be reckoned in the statistics of the Commonwealth at nearly half a million of people. (Applause.) He was not there that night to indulge in any vainglory or boasting, but to assure his hearers that Methodists were by no means a small body. The Methodist churches for nearly 20 years had had the matter of union in hand. The question had been often considered, postponed, reconsidered, and deferred for many years, but at last union had been consummated. (Applause.) The union which had just been accomplished would, he believed, be a union of hearts and minds, and of lives and of hands, and the result would be the consolidation and extension of that form of Christianity known as Methodism. (Applause.) The union would enable the Methodist to present a bold and united front against all these forces of evil which were so aggressive and so self-assertive. Union would help them to speak with a greater voice and exercise greater influence in connection with all moral and social questions of the age. The union was one which had its difficulties, but after all the chief difficulty would be one of finance. He believed, however, that the united Church would be able to settle men, and erect churches in many distant parts of the country.

Addresses were also delivered by the Rev. E. Crozier, of Goulburn, the recognised leader of the union movement in the Primitive Methodist churches; by the Rev. W. Atkinson, of Parramatta; by the Hon. J. S. Larke, Canadian Commissioner; by the Rev. Rainsford Bavin; and by Mr. J. L. Fegan, M.L.A.

At the meeting at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church the chair was occupied by Mr. Winn, and the conductor was the Rev. S. Rossi, of Wallsend. Addresses were delivered by the Rev. J. W. Holden, president of the Primitive Methodist Conference, the Rev. P. J. Stephen, of Maitland, the Rev. J. Penman, of Balmain, the Hon. W. Robson, M.L.C., Mr. Joseph Cook, M.P., and the Rev. E. W. Briscombe, president of the United Methodist Free Church.

THE COAL EXPORT TRADE.

The King Cyrus, four-masted schooner, cleared at the Custom-house this afternoon for Honolulu with 1118 tons of coal from the East Greta Colliery, but there were no arrivals or departures in connection with the foreign coal trade to-day.

The inter-State trade the Rotokino, steamer, sailed for Timaru, N.Z., with 2800 tons; the Easby, steamer, left for Melbourne with 1820 tons; and the Tambo, steamer, took her departure for Hobart, via Sydney, with 385 tons. The following vessels, with cargoes of coal, cleared at the Customs:—St. Lucy, steamer, for Melbourne, with 4350 tons; Nithsdale, steamer, for Melbourne, with 1750 tons; Kittawa, steamer, for Devonport, via Port Kembla, with 850 tons; and Burrumbeet, steamer, for Melbourne, via Sydney, with 2453 tons.

At the City Police Court to-day a seaman named Charles Carlson, 28, was fined £3, in default six weeks' imprisonment in Maitland Gaol, on a charge of serving a sentence of 14 days' imprisonment in Maitland Gaol.

SPORTING INTELLIGENCE

THE TURF.

Pony and galloway races will be held at Brighton to-day, the first event starting at 2.45 p.m. A special train will leave Redfern Station at 1.55 p.m.

Messrs. William Inglis and Son will offer for sale to-day at their City Bazaar the bay mare Fairy (14.2), by Uncle Tom, and the pony Lucifer.

Entries for the pony and galloway races to be held at Kensington on Wednesday next close with the secretary, Mr. P. O'Mara, before 5 p.m. to-morrow. The programme will be found in the advertising columns.

A match has been arranged between Mr. W. M'Donald's Nine and Messrs. Brown Brothers' Godiva for £25 a side, upon the Coolamon Racecourse, on February 1, at level weights.

The trophies in connection with the races for amateurs included in the programme for the Anniversary meeting of the Sydney Turf Club have been selected from the stock of Messrs. William Farmer and Co., 30 Hunter-street, city, and are now on view in the windows of Messrs. C. H. Walther and Co., next door. They comprise a very handsome three-tier assiette, or table centrepiece, of sterling silver (hall marked), with flower vase at top. Each tier can, if desired, be used separately as a dish; the centre columns are fluted, and the whole is richly chased; a complete set of fish knives and forks, and a similar set of dessert knives, forks, and spoons to match, the handles being of mother-of-pearl, and the whole encased in a handsome folding cabinet; and a pair of Zeus's prismatic field glasses in handsome leather case. These glasses are the best of the kind that have yet been introduced. The trophies will be on view for some days, and are well worthy of inspection.

Messrs. H. Chisholm and Co. report having effected a lease of the bay horse Goodboots, 5 years, by Goodfellow from Lady Like, to a patron of C. M'Keown's stable.

TIRRANNA PICNIC RACES.

(BY OUR SPECIAL REPORTER.)

GOULBURN, Wednesday.

The Tirranna Picnic Races, which begin to-morrow, promise to be a greater social success than was anticipated a week ago, though in consequence of bereavements two well-known families will not be as strongly represented as in bygone years. Sydney visitors are present in strong force, while district families are well represented, and public accommodation is taxed to the utmost. Five horses remain in the time-honoured Tirranna Cup, which is regarded as a match between Man-o'-War and Wollogorang. Of the others Convoy and The Future are considered to be outclassed, but the Carwoola mare Record is reported to be in good form. In betting circles odds of 2 to1 are offered on Man-o'-War.

ALBURY RACING CLUB.

ALBURY, Wednesday.

At a committee meeting of the Albury Racing Club the following officers were elected:—Patron, Hon. C. Lloyd; president, Mr. M. J. Darcy; vice-chairman, Mr. J. M'Donald; judge, Mr. J. Campbell; treasurer, Mr. J. Boxburgh; hon. secretary, Mr. F. Tietyens. The annual race meeting was fixed for the middle of April.

MANILDRA JOCKEY CLUB.

MOLONG, Wednesday.

The Manildra Jockey Club was resolved to hold its annual race meeting in February. The following officers of the club have been elected:—President, Mr. John Cockram; vice-presidents, Messrs. W. J. Brien, James Kinsela; secretary, Mr. Edward Pike, jun.; treasurer, Mr. James O'Donnell; committee, Messrs. Cockram, Thomas Cockram, W. Griffin, John Morton, R. Giffin, H. Morton, Hector Angus, and Charles Hunt.

KENSINGTON PONY AND GALLOWAY RACES.

The pony and galloway races held at Kensington yesterday were very well attended. Appended are the results:—

Fourteen-three Handicap of 80 sovs., 5f furlongs.—P. Byrnes's b or br g Ikey, by Lord Cochrane—Ida, aged, 7st 2lb, including 2lb over (A. Waggett), 1; H. Freeland's b g Idle Fellow, 3 or 4 years, 7st 12lb; J. Freeland's 2; J. Kiely's b f Lady Ellen, 3 yrs, 6st 7lb (T. Firth), 3. Other starters: Disfigured, 9st 5lb; Indiana, 8st 10lb; Polly, 8st 5lb; Princess, 8st 2lb; Myalba, 7st 9lb; Two Up, 7st 8½lb, including 1lb over (Hagarty). Betting: 2 to 1 against Ikey, 7st. Betting: 5 to 2 v. Little Boss, 3 to 1 v. Idle Fellow, 5 to 1 v. Two Up, 6 to 1 each v. Indiana, Sea Shell. Won by a length, a similar distance between second and third. Time, 1 minute 4 seconds.

Fourteen-one Handicap of 30 sovs., 5½ furlongs.—C. Gallimore's br g Sea Shell, by Lord Lyon—dam unknown, aged, 9st, C. Gallimore

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

Wednesday Evening.

A decidedly moderate volume of business was transacted on 'Change to-day. Commercial Bank of Sydney shares sold at yesterday's figure, New South Wales going at ¼ below the price at which the last sale was recorded. Both buyers' and sellers' prices for City Bank shares were reduced. North Coast Steam changed hands at the old price, Aarons' Exchange being placed at a figure somewhat lower than the last reported sale.

The following sales were reported on the Sydney Stock Exchange to-day :—Forenoon : North Coast Steam, 23s 3d ; Aarons' Exchange Hotel, 3s. Later : Commercial Banking Company, 31½. Noon : Nil. Later : Aarons' Exchange Hotel, 3s ; Commercial Banking Company, 31½. Afternoon : Bank of New South Wales, 4l. Later : Aarons' Exchange Hotel, 3s. The closing quotations were :—

Company.	Amount of Shares.	Capital paid up.	Shares paid up.	Last Div. paid.	Prices. Last Sale.	Buyer.	Seller.	Yield to Investor
	No.	£	£	p.c.	£	£	£	p.c.
Bk. POCKRe. & W. F. S., pref.		548,250	...	4	105	104½	...	3¾
Do. Ark. 1873		530,198	...	4	104½	104½	...	3¾
Ditto 8 p.c.		...	...	8	94	94	...	2½
Do., 1894-95		...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Do., T. Bills		1,000,000	...	...	105	99½	...	3¾
Do. ch. 1902		299,830	...	...	5	100	100	...
Do. ch. 1901		...	...	...	...	100	...	...
Q.'ld. 1913		...	...	4	101	102	...	3¾
Ditto 3½ p.c.		...	...	...	...	97½	99½	...
N.S. D., 1913		300,000	...	4	107½	101	...	3¾
Ditto, 1914		...	...	...	109	...	...	...
Col. Sugar		...	...	...	...	...	...	...
D., 1914—Q.		...	...	5	111	108	...	3¾
City of Sydney 4 p.c., 1925		...	...	...	103½	102	...	3¾
BANKS.								
Aust. of A. S.		1,168,041	10	7½	...	...	...	...
Australasia		1,000,000	40	40	...	...	...	...
City		240,000	10	8	4	97 6	98 6	99 6
New Items		160,000	10	8	4	96	99	...
Commercial of Australia, fully paid		2,117,070	10	10	3	6	6½	4½
Commrc. of Sydney		1,000,000	23	121	10	31½	31½	4
N. of A. Ltd.		1,498,220	8	5	3	7	7½	...
Ditto, pref.		305,780	10	10	5	...	11½	4½
N. S. Wales—		2,000,000	20	20	10	45	45½	4½
New Zealand		1,200,000	...	...	2	37 6	...	...
N. Q'sland		100,000	7	2	2½	1	...	7½
Q'land Nat.		412,843	...	...	...	...	...	...
Royal of Q.		300,000	9	5½	22	46 6	45	5½
Union		1,000,000	75	25	9	41	40½	4½
DEPOSITS & J.S. Bk.— Class A		3			3	113 6	12	12 6
Class B		3			3	12 6	13	12 6
Ditto Inscr.		788,038			3	10	10½	7
Comm. of Aus.		2,000,000			5	19 6	19 9	3½
A. ass., 1893		3,400,000			3	15 6	13 9	3½
Intercolonial								
E.S.A. Inscr.								
rerf.		888,418			3	12 6	12 3	4½
Do def.		883,293			4½	17	16 6	5½
Ditto Inscr.		387,547			4	18	17 3	18 3
Ditto Ter.		198,507			4	20 3	19 3	4
Q. National					3½	12 6	10 3	11 6
STEAM.								
Balmain N		16,400	1	1	10	36 6	...	...
Ferry		58,000	5	3½	8½	5½	5	6
Illawarra		100,000	1	1	3	97 6	97	3
Newcastle		180,000	10	10	8	17 3	17	11
North Coast		191,250	1	17 6	1	23	23	22 9
Syd. Ferries		120,000	1	1	7	35	37	36
J. Jackson		25,000	30	25	5	23	23 9	26
Ditto, Co-operative		8,745		1	2½	17	15	19
Tow. Smith, ordinary			20	5	5	...	...	...
Ditto Pref.								
INSURANCE A. M. Fire		50,000	1 10		10½	...	84	88
Mer. Mut.		30,000	1 4		16	12	11 10	12 3
New Zealand		250,000	10	2	15	...	67	...
N. Zealand		50,000	1	10	...	...	...	...
Ditto		3,362	5	5	8	...	...	...
United		62,500	10	2½	10	...	72	76
Ditto new		5,723	10	12½	10	15 6	...	...
GAS.								
Alliance		7,500	1	12 6	10	18	18 3	...
Australian		681,798	6	6	9	17½	17½	18½
New Items			6	3	9	12½	13	...
C. Towers		20,000	10	10	10	14 6	...	...
Goulburn		10,000	1	1	8	24	23 6	27 6
Grafton		8,000	1	1	8	24	...	...
Manly		10,000	1	1	7	22 6	...	...
Petersham		5,000	1	10	7	17 6	...	...
Mudgee		8,000	1	1	6	17	17	7
Newcastle		25,128	2	2	15	65	...	4½
Ditto		...	...	...	...	114 6	114 6	4½
North Sh.		100,000	1	1	7	27 6	28	3
Ditto New			1	1	7	10 3	10	4½
Maitland Gas		15,500	5	5	...	...	6	...
BREWERIES Albury		10,500	...	10	5	...	...	5
Ditto		4,000	1	1	5	...	...	...
Australian		48,000	10	10	...	47 6	4	5 3
C. and W. Bourne		250,000	1	1	4	13	...	10 3
Marshall's		29,700	10	5	6	31½	31½	3½
Perkins'		58,333	15	15	17½	37	35	7½
Tooth's		900,000	1	1	7	28 6	28 9	5
MISCELLANEOUS. Anthony		17,800	15	10	5	5	2 3	3
Aus. News		40,000	1	1	5	15	14	16 6
B. H. Water Supply		198,500	...	1	12	...	...	...
Burns, Philp		275,000	1	1	7½	34	32	4
New Items			1	5	8	5	8	...
Dalgety		1,872,200	20	20	10	90	90½	3½
Fraser & Co.		1,000,000	2	2	1	6 5s.	5	3½
Kno. B. Rail.		100,000	...	...	1	3 6	1 6	2 6
Kno Gravel		34,000	1	1	5	17 3	...	5
Mde Co. Sup						17 3		
Ditto, com.								14
Mel. Trams		80,000	1	10	10	21 6	18 6	19 9
Metr de Piste		74,144	1	1	7½	28 6	29	26 3
Mott's Dock		150,000	1	1	5	17	...	17
Ditto Pref.		45,780	1	1	6	22	21 9	5½
N. Fed. Coal		163,114	1	1	5	6 9	6	8 9
Shale and Oil		75,000	2	15	4	...	5	5 5
New York and N. Zeal.		15,000	1	10	21	22	23 6	9
B. Tob. Co.		25,000	5	2 6	6	2 1	1 11	2 1
Perm. Trust		25,000	5	2 6	6	2 1	1 11	2 1
Perpet. Trust.		25,000	10	5	8	9 3	...	9 3
Richardson & Wrench		60,000	1	1	3	13 6	18	17 6
Rd. Tram.		107,800	1	1	20	40 6	35 6	58
Syd. Exc.		30,000	10	10	7	15	15	4½
Syd. Wool.		75,000	1	10	10	44 6	...	4½
Ditto		87,500	1	10	10	42 6	24	24 6
Vol. Land Order						...	125	165
LAND & BD Aus. Dep.							4½	
Excels. Dep.							4	
Fed. B. Dep.						14	7 3	...
Harm. B. D.				13	3	12 6	...	12
Ditto Shares								
Ind. Prov.		60,065	20	20	6		20	5½
Interest. Inv.		53,108	1	15	7	16	15 6	6
Fed. Fin. Land						3 9	3	
Syd. & S. Dep.						8	...	8 6
Newcastle Tr.						15	16	

* Where dividends are interim the yield is based on a year's distribution; otherwise on the last half-yearly one.
† Cum rights.
‡ Ex third instalment.

Several times of recent years warm discussions have been evoked in this State on the subject of exports of gold to the United States. Especially at that period during which droughts necessitated imports of produce across the Pacific, politicians urged that the heavy shipments of specie in the San Francisco mail boats were in payment for these, and that the movement was an unhealthy and dangerous one. Fears were expressed that Australia was being drained of gold, and all sorts of dire consequences were foreseen. That these predictions have never been realised is perhaps sufficient proof that they were deduced from false premises. Bankers and those acquainted with financial matters were well seized with the position, which they viewed without a semblance of alarm. The shipments of gold thus made were a profitable transference of a commodity of which Australia produces in excess of its needs. If Western Australia, for instance, could retain the whole of the gold produced in that State, which in 1901 totalled 1,881,762oz., for a year or two, the coffers of her banks would be so glutted with the precious product that industrial enterprise would be paralysed and stagnation ensue. It is only by exchange of this surplus for other needful things that continued production is in any way beneficial. That this is fully realised in the United States is shown by the fact that "Bradstreet's" of October 26 says: "It is highly probable that conditions will favour the importation of further amounts of gold from Australia. This, however, depends in a measure upon the extent of the alleged borrowings by large financial interests in this country in the foreign market." And further: "The situation will not be adverse to indirect gold imports from Australia." It is thus clearly realised that the question of exports of merchandise from America to Australia has but little bearing on the case, which in this particular instance is due to the borrowings of American financial interests in London and perhaps elsewhere.

Yesterday reference was made to the fact that the Australian States by their frequent appeals to London for loans are running the risk of alienating the support of investors. Attention was directed to the fact that the English criticism was just, and that more caution should be exercised in future. The "Financial Times" of December 2 has something to say on this subject also. It opens an article with the remark that "an impression is growing in the city that the Australasian colonies have of late been making too frequent appearances on the money market, and this impression is conducive neither to the benefit of existing issues nor to the chances which future loans may have of substantial success." The idea in London seems to be that the various States of the Commonwealth have been trading on federal credit, and the present patriotic feeling that has been engendered through the Australian attitude over the South African War. And as the "Financial Times" says: "New South Wales, which perhaps derives least benefit from the union, is one of the principal offenders." Investors are now inquiring into the financial aspect of federation and are realising that insufficient limits are imposed upon the use and abuse of federal and State credit. It is therefore urged in London that a halt should be called to Australian borrowing, and if this impression becomes sufficiently pronounced a halt will have to be called, whether the would-be borrowers like it or not. When journals such as the "Economist" and "Financial Times" deem it wise to warn the lending public in the terms of recent articles, they carry a weight that is not attached to the pessimistic views of such writers as those that contribute to papers like the "Investors' Review," a paper that can see no good in anything Australian.

The copper position is one of the most interesting features of modern commercial development. It far exceeds in magnitude any previous effort to "corner" a basic product. The unsuccessful attempt of young Leiter of Chicago to "corner" wheat, although it attracted considerable attention at the time and cost Leiter's father £1,250,000 to finally settle up, was but a small matter compared with the present movement. As already explained the attempt has so far not proved by any means successful. Large financial interests are at stake, and a good idea of how the public view the position may be gained from the fact that early in December the Amalgamated Copper Company's shares stood at £69½ in New York, whereas six months earlier they were not obtainable under £130. The greatest difficulty the trust seems to have met with so far has been the great shrinkage in the European demand for copper, partly due to the industrial crisis in Germany curtailing consumption, and partly, no doubt, owing to buyers anticipating a further break in the market. This caused an accumulation of stocks in the United States. The actual exports from the United States during the first 10 months of 1901 totalled but 78,126 tons, against 138,881 tons during the same period in 1900. Australia figures as a factor of some importance as a copper producer. The world's production for 1900, together with that of quinquennial years preceding are thus given on the authority of Merton :—

		Tons.
Spain and Portugal	...	35,872
Other European countries	...	38,320
Australasia	...	23,000
Cape	...	6,720
Japan	...	27,840
South America	...	36,005
Mexico	...	22,050
Canada	...	10,400
United States	...	269,787
World's production.	1900	486,084
"	1895	334,000
"	1890	260,000
"	1885	225,000
"	1880	184,000

It can thus be seen how much greater a task the Amalgamated Copper Company has undertaken than that undertaken by the French syndicate in the early eighties.

The principal features of the abstract of liabilities and assets in New South Wales of the undermentioned bank for the quarter ended December 31 are shown as follow, the figures for the preceding quarter being given in brackets :—

English, Scottish, and Australian Bank, Limited.—Notes in circulation, £3178 (£3430) ; deposits not bearing interest, £357,191 (£363,334) ; deposits bearing interest, £1,042,268 (£1,030,200) ; coin and bullion, £188,931 (£221,290) ; advances, £1,525,545 (£1,504,088).

The local wool sales continue to be conducted at the higher level of values recently established, all descriptions participating except coarse and low crossbreds. Melbourne operators made their presence felt at to-day's sales, when 9028 bales were offered, and, including private transactions, 8797 bales were sold. The highest price secured for greasies was 10d, and for scoureds 14½d per lb.

BREADSTUFFS.

No change was apparent in the breadstuffs market, both wheat and flour being steady at the prices previously quoted.

The situation in Argentina is apparently improving under better weather. Broomhall's last estimate of the exportable surplus was 16,000,000 bushels, but a late estimate from Rosario places the amount at 28,000,000 bushels. Shipments from January to November on last crop have been 30,750,000, against over 70,000,000 for the same period in 1900. Concerning the situation of supplies in America the general opinion appears to point to the following distribution :—

		Bushels.
Surplus from last season	...	65,000,000
New crop	...	715,000,000
Total	...	803,000,000
Domestic requirements	...	415,000,000
Feed	...	50,000,000
Total	...	465,000,000

Leaving a total of 30,000,000 bushels for export and surplus next July.

Messrs. John Darling and Son report from Adelaide on January 6 as follows :—

Wheat.—The holiday period now being over, the trade has settled down to business, and although English markets are reported quiet with an easier tendency and a slight decline in value rates there being 22s 6d per 480lb., c.i.f. for ordinary, and fine parcels 23s 3d per 480lb., according to port of destination—prices locally are maintained. The inquiry from Europe is not at all energetic ; but owing to the scarcity of tonnage, shipments are likely to be small. Millers' markets are maintained at very full rates. Prices for farmers' lots may be given as 2s 9d per bushel at Port Adelaide, at which the amount of business doing is extremely limited. A fair business is reported being done at outports, and deliveries are now commencing on a fairly free scale. Messrs. H. W. Abbott and Co., Limited, and at present millers are confining their attention to local requirements under the ordinary bakers' contract terms. Values to-day may be given as £8 2s per ton for ordinary, and £8 10s per ton for best patent roller f.o.b. Port Adelaide.

IMPORT MARKET.

Business throughout was very light, so far as actual transactions were concerned ; but the increasing inquiry in most lines seemed to indicate an early return of usual business. The jute market was particularly active, reports from Calcutta no doubt stimulating a desire to take advantage of the present low rates prevailing here. The lowest calculations make Sydney prices just about equivalent to Calcutta quotations, leaving no margin of profit, while the popular view is that local rates represent a dead loss on Indian prices.

Tea.—Again free inquiry, especially in Ceylon broken pekoes, but without reported business. A parcel of 16 chests Assam pekoe sold at 7½d.

A Reuter's message dated Calcutta, December 2, states :—The tea outturn last month was normal in Assam, the Duars, and the Terai, and good in Cachar and Sylhet. In Assam, the Duars, and the Terai the season is practically closed. Owing to the late rains in Cachar and Sylhet the season there will probably be somewhat prolonged and the deficiency in the outturn slightly reduced.

Messrs. Scott, Henderson and Co. advise receipt of the following information dated Colombo, December 20 :—"The market here is closing with a very strong demand from London, and I think there is little doubt that the prices of all teas under 8d per lb. are about to advance materially in the near future. The sentiment of the London market is this, and as shipments from here and from Calcutta are about 16,000,000lb. short, there is very solid ground for confidence."

Messrs. Fraser, Uther, and Co. will offer for sale, at the City Mart to-morrow (Thursday), 400 bags coffee ex Ceylon ; 50 cases oil, Drinkalo, Victoria, &c., on behalf of Mr. B. T. Remington.

Sugar.—Business under this head has been comparatively quiet for some days, but a better tone now prevails. Improvement has been shown in the Yengarie Company's product at previously quoted prices.

Mr. Licht, in his circular of November 16, increased his crop estimates by adding 125,000 tons to those of cane, and 60,000 tons to those of beet, but (says William Connal and Co.'s circular for November) private advices report considerable improvement in the yield of the beetroot crops, and it is quite probable that these may have still to be increased by about 200,000 tons. Should such prove to be the case, the stock to be carried forward on August 31 next may amount to upwards of 2,000,000 tons, a weight of sugar quite sufficient to justify the present low level prices. According to Mr. Czarnikow, a reduction of sowings for next crop of at least 30 per cent. would be required to restore the article to a satisfactory basis, but that such a reduction, or, indeed, any material reduction, will be made for next crop seems at present highly improbable.

Groceries.—Country business on a small scale is coming forward, and minor transactions consequently follow. There is some inquiry for tinned fish in anticipation no doubt of the Lenten season, but the only transaction so far recorded is for immediate needs, viz., 150 cases quarter sardines at market rates. 300 cases Bell's plaid vestas changed hands. Other sales were small, and at previously ruling rates.

Dried Fruits.—There was some inquiry for currants for export, and for sultanas for local requirements, the market in each being firm. 250 boxes sultanas were sold to arrive at prices not given.

Eastern Produce.—Several small transactions and the sale of 20 tons Rangoon rice on private terms were recorded.

Metals.—Small business done, pending the settlement of the tariff. A private cable message announced a fall of 5s per ton in plain and corrugated galvanised iron. Twenty-five inches of rabbit-proof net, 42 x 1½ x 17, sold at £30 per mile, and 10 miles, 42 x 1½ x 17, at £25 10s ; 20 cases Orb G.C., 26 G., at £18 7s 6d per ton. 500 boxes I.C. Coke tinplates sold at 17s per box. Tanks have met with ready sale at 48s 6d, and one or two small lots at 50s. Latest quotations are as follows :—Bar iron, £11 to £11 10s ; horseshoe, £12 to £13 10s ; J.C.M. iron, 26 G. £17 10s, 24 G. £16 10s ; plain, Queen's Head, 26 G. £19 10s, 28 G. £20 15s, 28 G. £21 5s ; wire nails, 5 per cent. off list price ; fencing nuts, 5 per cent. off (plus duty) ; gunpipe, black 60 per cent. off, galvanised, 55 per cent. off ; wire netting, 32½ per cent. off : steel, fixed, £16.

Jute Goods.—The Calcutta market for woolpacks has opened at lower prices than those of last year at the same period, but business has begun on a good scale, and promises marked steadiness. Already a considerable volume has been put through for the Sydney market. In Sydney, however, the spot prices are under, or at best only equal to, the Calcutta equivalent for hessbags and cornsacks. Consequently those lines are tiffless in Calcutta so far as this port is concerned. There was a fair amount of local speculation in hessbags, but, although a purchase was reported at 3s 6¼d, holders generally were disinclined to sell, even at 3s 7d, while some demanded 3s 7½d (the estimated equivalent of latest Calcutta rates), or up to 3s 8d. A speculative line of woolpacks changed hands, and inquiry was made to meet demands of early sheds. Quotations were not, however, willingly made, pending more decisive news from Calcutta. In cornsacks 150 bales were placed.

Oils.—Blundell's boiled linseed was quoted at 4s 4d, and raw at 4s 2d ; Indian, under the effects of cutting, was purchasable at 4s 1d and 3s 11d respectively ; castor oil, 3s gallon. Champion's white-lead, 32s for cwts., and 33s for quarters ; Ferguson's whitelead, 31s 6d for cwts., and 32s 6d for quarters.

Chemicals.—Inquiry in this department was better, but no sales were recorded.

Messrs. Sacre and Co., Manchester, in their monthly review of the general chemical trade for November, say :—"Business during the month has been quieter than might reasonably have been expected. There has been an air of depression overhanging the markets, apparently in sympathy with the Stock Exchange, which in its turn has suffered from the continual return from inflated values, plus uneasiness regarding matters of an international character, and the feeling, as far as the home trade is concerned, is to wait the turn of the year in the hope of a new era for trade. The transactions for prompt execution have been on a very meagre scale. A steady attention has been given to next year's business, and though some fair-sized contracts have been put down they by no means compare favourably, whether in bulk or price, with 12 months ago, and if any arrangements can be made at all it is certainly in favour of the buyer. While, therefore, it is not to be expected that manufacturers will commence the year with their books filled with orders, they will have the satisfaction of knowing there will be plenty of current trade to cater for. No report of movement is slowing down as the annual period of the closing of the northern ports draws nearer. The latest Board of Trade figures are satisfactory, both as to bulk and values, and the total returns for the completed months of the year are an increase, pointing to the grip foreign competition now holds on our export trade, this is very favourable."

Sundries.—Poofing felt sold at 8s 6d per roll, and one substantial parcel changed hands at 8s.

The customs revenue received in New South Wales amounted to £83807. The principal items were :—

Spirits, £2130 ; wine, £80 ; ale, porter, and beer, £47 ; tobacco, cigars, and cigarettes, £442 ; tea, £60 ; opium, £97 ; dried and candied fruits, £15 ; ad valorem rates, £3604 ; harbour and light rates, £56 ; pilotage, £48 ; excise spirits, £69 ; excise sugar, £106 ; excise on beer, £332 ; license fees (other), £69 ; boots and shoes, £83 ; ironmongery, £49 ; confectionery, £39 ; fruit, n.e.i., £14 ; salts, £12 ; explosives, n.e.i., £10 ; monumental marble, £21 ; condensed milk, £33 ; pickles and sauces, £114 ; salad oil, £10 ; meat preserved in tins, £48 ; spices, £25 ; vegetables, preserved, £33 ; advertising matter (unframed), £18 ; buggies, £10 ; mustard, £94 ; blue, £33 ; groats, £14 ; jams and jellies, £74 ; fish (preserved), £228 ; timber (undressed), £102.

EXPORT MARKET.

Wool Receipts.—At Darling Harbour to-day 1678 bales were manifested to arrive by rail, 67 arrived coastwise, and 90 came to hand by rail at Newcastle yesterday.

San Francisco Coal Market.—J. W. Harrison's coal circular says :—"Since the Ventura sailed there have been the following coal arrivals from Newcastle, New South Wales, viz. : Invincible, 2013 tons ; Cian Buchanan, 3184 tons ; Fernbank, 2311 tons ; Chehalis, 1744 tons ; Encomba Park, 3354 tons ; Alsterdyk, 2069 tons. Total, 14,945 tons. One of the above cargoes came here via Valparaiso. Not finding sale for the coal there the vessel was ordered here. There are 33 vessels chartered to load coal for our port from Newcastle, with a capacity of 93,000 tons ; of these 19 are already en route. The latest cable freight rates on coal from Newcastle show a decline of fully 1s per ton since last mail ; now 11s is asked, and several vessels are being offered. This will force the coast collieries to reduce the selling-price of their products to meet this freight-decline from the colonies. Fuel oil is the disturbing element in the case. It proves a death knell to any advance in steam coals for many years to come. It was exceedingly fortunate for our industrial interests that oil came to our rescue this year and last. In its absence there would have been a fuel famine, coal would have been sold at fancy figures, and numberless factories would have been closed which are running to-day full time and profitably. So far this year we have had a most seasonable rainfall, which should have a tendency to bring coal-carriers in that direction, as the outlook is promising for a generous grain yield in 1902."

ENGLISH COMMERCIAL.

LONDON, Jan. 7.

AUSTRALIAN DEBENTURE STOCK, &c.

Australian Mortgage, Land, and Finance Company 4 per cent. debenture stock, unchanged at 101*.

Freehold Trust Company of Australia 4 per cent. debentures, unchanged at 100.

Queensland Investment and Land Mortgage Company 4 per cent. debentures, 2½ higher at 88.

City of Sydney 4 per cent. debentures (1912-13), 1 higher at 104.

Dalgety and Co., Limited, shares, unchanged at 5½.

Dalgety and Co., Limited, 4 per cent. debentures, 1 higher at 103*.

Metropolitan Gas Company (Melbourne) 4½ per cent. debentures, unchanged at 103.

Australian Gaslight Company (Sydney) 5 per cent. debentures, 1½ higher at 100*.

Union Mortgage and Agency Company of Australia, Limited, 4½ per cent. debenture stock, 1 lower at 64½*.

Australian and New Zealand Mortgage Company 4 per cent. debenture stock at 88.

* Ex interest.

SILVER.

Bar silver is quoted to-day at 1-16d lower at 2s 1¾d per ounce standard.

WHEAT AND FLOUR STATISTICS.

	Dec. 3, 1901.	Dec. 31, 1901.	Jan. 7, 1902.
Afloat—	Quarters.	Quarters.	Quarters.
For United Kingdom	2,530,000	2,850,000	3,050,000
For Continent	1,440,000	980,000	950,000
Total	3,970,000	3,830,000	4,000,000

LONDON, Jan. 8.

TIN.

Tin is quoted 1½ lower on spot at 100½ and 1½ lower at 98½ for three months.

THE WHEAT MARKET.

The wheat cargo ex barque Salamanca, which left Melbourne on October 26, sold at 36s 6d per 480lb. c.i.f.

COMMERCIAL TELEGRAMS.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

The local wheat market is firm. Fair business is doing, particularly in the country, where prices rather better rates are being paid than at Port Adelaide. Small parcels make 2s 9d to 2s 9½d, shipping parcels 2s 10d to 2s 10½d. Flour changed hands at £6 17s 6d. Bran is steady at 10½d and pollard at 11d. Cream of tartar is firmer, and the local stock is now closed. Parcels are selling at about 85d. Lug fish is going out more freely in consequence of the reduction of duty. It is now worth 22s 10d, and has been booked in ton lots.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

On the Stock Exchange to-day Victoria 3 per cents stock sold £99 5s. Metropolitan Board of Works 3½ per cents, £98 15s, £98 17s 6d ; Colonial Bank ordinary shares sold 25s 6d, and preferential £9 11s, £9 12s ; Commercial Bank ordinary 12s 6d, and preferential £6 5s ; Victoria Bank preferential, £11 5s ; London Bank deposit receipts, 20s 3d. Australian Deposit and Mortgage preferential, 20s ; Melbourne Trams, 19s 6d, 19s ; Melbourne Hydraulic, 34s 6d ; Kauri Timber, paid, 8s ; Kitchen and Apollo, 31s ; Mutual Store, 36s.

Wheat is firm in town at 2s 11 d buyers, and 3s sellers, but business consists principally of direct country purchases at equivalent prices. Millers are now quoting £7 for trade lots of leading brands of flour. Bran is firm at 9½d to 10d ; pollard, 10d ; malting barley, 3s 6d to 4s ; Cape barley is in good demand, 2s 3d to 2s 4d ; Algerian oats, firm, seed 2s 3d, gurd feed 2s 2d to 2s 2½d, medium 2s to 2s 1½d. About 4000 bags of maize sold at 3s to 3s 1½d f.o.b. Chaff is quiet at £3 to £3 10s. Potatoes are very irregular, opening sales were at £4 to £4 5s ex station, but sellers now ask £5 f.o.b. for parcels. Onions are £3 to £3 10s. Considerable business was done in Mauritius brewing sugar. Business in tea covers 150 half-chests of kooloo and 25 chests of Ceylon at 6½d to 7½d. Currants are firm up to 44d, sultanas 7½d to 7¾d. Tinned fish is in good demand. Salt salmon 4½d, cornsacks 4s 3d to 4s 4d in trade lots, but parcels have been sold at a concession. Branbags are 3s 6d to 3s 6¾d. A considerable parcel of raw and boiled linseed oil sold. Factory butter is firm at 9d to 9½d, choice 10d to 10½d, occasionally 10¾d : eggs, 8d.

DAIRY NEWS.

THE BERRY CENTRAL FACTORY.

BERRY, Wednesday.

A meeting of farmers has been held to consider the proposal to rent or purchase the Berry Central Factory. 150 were present, Mr. David Thorburn (chairman of the Coastal Farmers' Co-operative Society) presiding. He alluded to the great services of Dr. Hay and the management of the Central Factory, urging the farmers to obtain control of the factory on a co-operative basis. Mr. Meares, manager of the company, addressed the meeting, explaining the action of the Coastal Farmers' Company, and showing the advantages to the dairy industry of co-operation. The following resolution was carried :—"That, acting on behalf of the farmers the Shoalhaven District Coastal Farmers' Co-operative Society be empowered to tender for the temporary lease of the Central Factory, with the option and for the purpose of purchase, provided the same be secured at a reasonable price." It was also carried that in the event of the tender being successful the directors of the Nowra Co-operative Factory be asked to cease buying cream there, and to alter the articles of association to embrace all the centres from Gerringong to Nowra, due representation being given to each centre, and the shares allotted in proportion to the butter product of each supplier.

MILTON, Wednesday.

The annual meeting of the Dairy Farmers' Union was held this afternoon. Mr. C. F. Warden was re-elected secretary.

RAYMOND TERRACE, Wednesday.

At a meeting of the dairy farmers last night it was decided to form a co-operative butter factory.

BATHURST, Wednesday.

The manager of the Bathurst Co-operative Dairy Company reports that 21311b. of butter have been made during the week, all of which had been sold to local storekeepers. The cheques paid suppliers during December amounted to £336 11s. A bonus of 5 per cent. was added to shareholders' cheques, and brought the amount to £351 3s 7d. The largest cheque paid was £35 15s 1d. There were 81 suppliers.

PRODUCE INWARDS.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

The Peregrine sailed to-day for Sydney with 96 bags potatoes, 10 bags bran, 350 bags malt, 200 boxes candles, 188 cases fruit, 5 crates vegetables, 1000 bags maize.

PALMER'S ISLAND, Wednesday.

The Nymboida crossed out at 5 p.m. with 400 bags maize, 3 bags sugar, 7 bags oysters, 3 bags hair, 460 bags potatoes, 50 sides bacon, 138 bundles skins, 330 boxes butter, 50 pigs, and sundries.

PRODUCE MARKETS.—Wednesday.

TRADE IN SUSSEX-STREET.

Despite this being an "off day" a moderate amount of business was done in most departments of general produce. Operations in a few lines were considerably restricted on account of the paucity of stocks. The markets were again firm in tone while prices of all lines were exceptionally firm. The chief movement was a further rise in the price of potatoes. The inquiry for these was fairly good, the market having a firm tone on account of the small stocks on the spot. Owing to scarcity, coupled with the better demand, oats were dearer. Local Algerian sorts sold well up to 2s 4d for prime samples. Tasmanian mids commanded attention at 2s 3d. Chickwheat sold well, principally at 2s 9d to 2s 10d for good to prime grain. Bran was scarce and firm, sales being effected at 9½d to 10d. Pollard was also scarce and in good request at 12d. Imported chaff moved freely at 4s for prime samples. Local maize had ready sale, the market opening with a somewhat buoyant tone up to £4 5s for choice green varieties. Lucerne has been quiet, while straw and oaten hay moved steadily at late rates. Potatoes had good sale, especially choice large samples, which sold as high as £6 2s 6d per ton. The bulk of average prime samples realised from £5 to £5 10s, while small and inferior samples sold at considerably lower prices. Onions were firm at £4 10s, on account of the recent rise in Victoria. Trade in dairy produce was steady at about yesterday's closing rates.

Wholesale quotations were :—

DAIRY PRODUCE.

Bacon and Hams.—Good sides. Hand-cured, 7½d to 7¾d ; stitches, 7d ; middles, 8d ; factory hand-cured, sides, 6½d to 6¾d. Pineapple flitches, 6¾d ; York Castle and mild-cured brand, sides 6d, flitches 7½d ; Bodalla sides, 7½d ; Eclipse sides, 7½d ; Clarence sides, 7½d. Hams : Prime, choice, in cloth, 9½d ; New Zealand, 8½d to 10d ; Pineapple, 10½d ; York Castle, 10½d ; Eclipse, 10½d per lb.

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ROSS.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. WILLIAM H. ROSS are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly beloved SON, George; to move from their residence, 171 Goulburn-street, THIS THURSDAY, at 8.45 a.m., for the Necropolis.
Mrs. P. KIRBY and SON, Undertakers.

ELTON.—The Friends of Mr. JAMES M. ELTON and FAMILY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly beloved WIFE and MOTHER, Mrs. Elizabeth Elton; to move from her late residence, 34 Harrington-street, Paddington, THIS THURSDAY, at 1 o'clock, for Wesleyan Cemetery, Rookwood.
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GREENTREE.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. MALCOLM R. F. GREENTREE are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly loved SON, Robert James, which will move from their residence, 16 Brougham-street, Glebe, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at half-past 1 o'clock, for Necropolis.
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TWENTYMAN.—The Friends of Mr. E. W. G. TWENTYMAN are informed that the Funeral of his beloved DAUGHTER, Una Singular, will leave his residence, Thossaly, 27 Arcadia-street, Glebe, THIS THURSDAY, at 1.30, to Gore Hill Cemetery, N. Sydney.
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MCGUIRE.—The friends of Mr. JOHN McGUIRE are kindly invited to attend the funeral of his dearly beloved SON, Michael; to move from 10 Castlereagh-street, city, THIS (Thursday) at 1.30 p.m. sharp for the Necropolis.
MRS. P. KIRBY and SON, Undertakers.

MCGUIRE.—The friends of the deceased Mr. MICHAEL McGUIRE are kindly invited to attend his funeral; to move from 10 Castlereagh-street, city, THIS (Thursday) at 1.30 p.m. sharp for the Necropolis.
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MCGUIRE.—The friends of Messrs. BERNARD, PATRICK, JOHN, PETER, JAMES, JOSEPH, and ANNIE McGUIRE are kindly invited to attend the funeral of their dearly beloved BROTHER, Michael; to move from 10 Castlereagh-street, city, THIS (Thursday) at 1.30 p.m., sharp, for the Necropolis. Mrs. P. Kirby and Son.

MCGUIRE.—The friends of Mr. and Mrs. W. ANDERSON are kindly invited to attend the funeral of her dearly beloved BROTHER, Michael M'Guire; to move from 10 Castlereagh-street, city, THIS (Thursday) at 1.30 p.m. sharp for the Necropolis.
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MCGUIRE.—The friends of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. CAMPBELL are kindly invited to attend the funeral of her dearly beloved BROTHER, Michael M'Guire; to move from 10 Castlereagh-street, city, THIS (Thursday) at 1.30 p.m. sharp for the Necropolis.
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THE OFFICERS and MEMBERS of H.A.C.B. SOCIETY, of St. Charles Branch, Waverley, are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late Brother, MICHAEL M'GUIRE; to move from 10 Castlereagh-street, city, THIS THURSDAY, at 1.30 p.m., for the Necropolis.
P. CARROLL, Secretary.

BURGESS.—The Friends of Mrs. WILLIAM GEORGE BURGESS are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her late beloved HUSBAND, which will move from his late residence, 28 Bowman-street (Chippendale), Sydney, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at half-past 2 o'clock, for Necropolis.
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MOSES.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. THOMAS PAUL are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly beloved DAUGHTER; to move from their Residence, 91 Elswick-street, Leichhardt, THIS DAY, THURSDAY, 2 p.m., for Rookwood C.E. Cemetery.
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SMITH.—The Friends of Mr. FRANCIS SMITH, of 127 Enmore-st, are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his dearly beloved Wife, Bertha; to move from the Sydney Hospital, THIS THURSDAY, at 2.30 p.m., for the Waverley Cemetery.
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SMITH.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. A. KITT, of Sutherland, are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly beloved DAUGHTER, Mrs. Bertha Smith; to move from the Sydney Hospital, THIS THURSDAY, at 2.30 p.m., for the Waverley Cemetery. Mrs. P. KIRBY and SON, Undertakers, 7 Elizabeth-street, city.

SEEL.—The Friends of Mrs. MARY J. SEEL are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her dearly beloved HUSBAND, Walter Seel; to move from his late residence, 144 Oxford-street, city, THIS DAY, Thursday, at a quarter to 3 o'clock, for Waverley Cemetery.
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